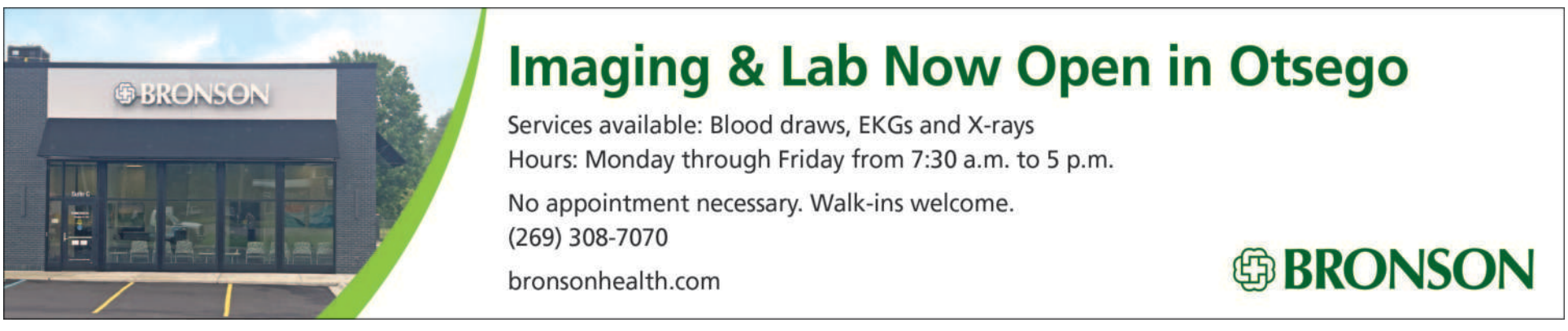
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Otsego announces schedule for summer events

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

Fun, family-friendly summer activities are back in Otsego.

Summer Fun Nights will take place each Tuesday evening at 6 p.m. at the TOP Pavilion through July 29, while Summer Events at Northside Park will take place each Wednesday at 1 p.m. through July 31.

Otsego Summer Fun Nights is made possible by a partnership between Together Otsego Prospers (TOP) and Otsego Public Schools food service. The Summer Events at Northside Park is sponsored by Otsego Public Schools.

Both the Tuesday evening and Wednesday afternoon programs feature free meals for children ages 18 and younger. Those over the age of 18 can purchase a meal for $5.

Dinner starts at 5:45 p.m. on Tuesdays, with lunch available beginning at 12 p.m. on Wednesday.

Neither program will run the week of July 4.

This is the fourth installment of Otsego Summer Fun Nights and it's the second year Together Otsego Prospers (TOP) has been involved, taking over from the City of Otsego.

WEDNESDAY SUMMER FUN EVENTS
MEET UP and EAT UP
All events are at Northside Park
Home Depot- June 18th
Kids will have a hands-on experience building hot air balloons!
Mr. Juggling Mans- June 25th
Enjoy a comedy juggling show performed by Mr. Juggling Mans!
Bulldog Carnival- July 9th
A fun carnival with games, sweet treats, prizes, and more!
Alan Kazam- July 16th
A returning magician with a fun interactive magic show!
Wildlife Show- July 23rd
Holland Outdoor Discovery Center will be hosting a wildlife show with many animals!
Back to School Bash- July 30th
This is the last summer event with backpack and school supply giveaways!
Kids eat free. Adult meals $5 | Lunch starts at 12pm, event starts at 1pm | No lunch/event July 2
Otsego Public Schools is an equal opportunity provider.

MEET UP and EAT UP
Tuesday Events
EVENTS ARE AT THE RIVERFRONT PAVILION UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE
JUNE 17TH TOUCH A TRUCK & YOUTH NIGHT
Kids will have a hands-on experience with a variety of trucks!
JUNE 24TH MOVIE NIGHT
Come down to the Otsego Public Library to eat dinner and watch Wild Robots!
JULY 8TH THE GREAT SARKISE
A local magician performing a variety of tricks, from close-up magic to stage illusions!
JULY 15TH ROCK PAINTING
Otsego Arts Council will be hosting a rock painting event, with provided supplies!
JULY 22ND PALEO JOE
Various activities relating to paleontology and fossil education!
JULY 29TH WATER NIGHT
The city is hauling in loads of sand to turn the area into a beach! There will be bubbles, a slip 'n slide down the hill, a DJ, and more!
OTSEGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS
NO DINNER/EVENT WEEK OF JULY 1
KIDS EAT FREE. ADULT MEALS $5
DINNER STARTS AT 5:45PM. EVENT AT 6PM
TOP Together Otsego Prospers
Otsego Public Schools is an equal opportunity provider.

volved, taking over from the City of Otsego.

"It makes a lot of sense for this to be a TOP program this year, since this event series is a perfect fit for their mission," Otsego City Manager Aaron Mitchell said. "TOP is a local nonprofit that strives to help the Otsego community with its sponsoring of events, such as Gus Macker and the Artisan Market."

Otsego Summer Fun Nights began on Tuesday, June 17, with Touch A Truck that featured many of the city's vehicles.

Themes for the remaining Tuesday evenings are:

* June 24: Movie Night—Come down to the Otsego Public Library to eat dinner and watch "The Wild Robot."

* July 8: The Great Sarkise—A local magician performing a variety of tricks, from close-up magic to stage illusions.

* July 15: Rock Painting—Otsego Arts Council will be hosting a rock painting event, with provided supplies.

* July 22: Paleo Joe—Various activities relating to paleontology and fossil education.

* July 29: Water Night—The city is hauling in loads of sand to turn the area into a beach. There will be bubbles, a slip n' slide down the hill, a DJ and more.

Summer Events at Northside Park began on Wednesday, June 18 with representative from Home Depot on hand for a hand-on experience building hot air balloons.

Upcoming events are:

* June 25: Mr. Juggling Mans—Enjoy a comedy juggling show performed by Mr. Juggling Mans.

* July 9: Bulldog Carnival—A fun carnival with games, sweet treats, prizes and more.

* July 16: Alan Kazam—A returning magician with a fun, interactive magic show.

* July 23: Wildlife Show—Holland Outdoor Discovery Center will be hosting a wildlife show with many animals.

* July 30: Back-to-School Bash—This is the last summer event with backpacks and school supply giveaways.

Color Our World Color Run brings smiles to Plainwell

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

Plainwell was a colorful place to be on Saturday, June 7.

That's because the Ransom District Library hosted the Color Our World Color Run to celebrate the start of its summer reading program.

A free event, the Color Run runners and walkers wearing white T-shirts who, along the race route, had non-toxic powder of all colors flung at them as they went through different stations.

Ransom head of patron services Analiese Mattson helped organize the Color Run.

"It was a wonderful event," she said. "There were a lot of smiles both on and off the racecourse. The community really came out in support of this event, which is what we were hoping for. We even had some residents from Life Care Center of Plainwell come out and hold signs that they made to cheer on the participants."

In addition to the smiles, Mattson heard plenty of positive comments from participants and volunteers.

"Everyone seemed to have a great time," she said. "We had a lot of positive comments and people asking if we are going to have another next year."

And yes, Mattson said, there will be another Color Run next year.

"It was such a success and so many people already asking about next year, that we plan on doing it again next summer," she said.

According to Mattson, the best part of the event was hearing stories from the participants.

"One woman told us that this was the first event she did after having health complications and was so excited she was well enough to participate," Mattson said. "We also had someone who flew up from Texas to run this event with her old local running group. And that's not to mention the number of children where this was the first time experiencing a race."

Mattson said the event wouldn't have been possible without the efforts of many, including the following sponsors: Friends of Ransom District Library, Ace Hardware of Plainwell, Bridge Street Gallery, Four Roses Café, The Old Mill, Donnie's Auto Repair, Plainwell Ice Cream, River Road Foods and Taqueria San Francisco Bar & Grill.

Participants are seen at the start of the Color Our World Color Run. The event was organized by the Ransom District Library. (Photo provided)

"We also have to thank the City of Plainwell, Public Safety, Public Works, all of the volunteers and our wonderful community," Mattson said.

And while the Color Run is over, Mattson reminds residents that the summer reading program is just beginning.

"Kids and adults can win prizes by reading five books over the summer," she said. "So pop into the library anytime this summer to pick up your notebook to register."

Terms ending for several members of Plainwell City Council

Participants in the Color Our World Color Run finished the race covered in powder of various colors. (Photo provided)

By John RAffel
Correspondent

PLAINWELL — It was pointed out at the recent Plainwell city meeting several board members' terms end on June 30, 2025.

Clerk Leonard has confirmed with each candidate their willingness to serve for another term. It was noted appointments are made by the Mayor, and subject to confirmation from Council.

The City is currently accepting applications for the Planning Commission.

The council was set to consider confirming the Mayor's appointment of several community members to various boards and commissions.

It was noted the water tower inspection for the City of Plainwell is handled by Dixon Engineering per EGLE requirements. Dixon Engineering provided recommendations for tower maintenance. Dixon put together a proposal for the City to paint and update the water tower, and received eight bids for the project.

Dixon has recommended Fedewa Inc. for this project. The Council was set to consider approving a contract with Fedewa Inc. to complete the water tower painting and upgrades under the supervision of Dixon Engineering for the cost of $84,499.

It was noted che City owns approximately 15 acres of vacant land of the former paper mill complex which it has been marketing to area developers for a number of years and with the help of the MEDC.

In 2023, the City released a request for qualifications from interested developers. No interest was received. After that closed Plainwell was contacted by five separate developers who wanted to look at the land.

Three of which engaged in preliminary conversations with the City.

Allen Edwin Homes and Watts Homes and Construction, wanted to move forward with the cities preference for building single family homes and condos. Both presented their concepts at the first city council meeting in May.

At the second May meeting the City held an all boards workshop to discuss the proposals.

The Council was being asked to select one developer with whom to enter into negotiations to establish a development agreement.

The Council was set to consider instructing City Manager Lakamper to enter into negotiations to establish a development agreement for the creation of a housing development on Parcels 2 and 4 of the Mill property, and to negotiate the terms of conveyance for the same parcels

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Consumers Energy Hydroelectric Dam fleet placed on the auction block

By Gari Voss

Consumers Energy has made it official in a letter to employees and community groups associated with the dams. The fleet of 13 hydroelectric dams are in official negotiations to sell. That includes the Calkins Dam that holds back the Kalamazoo River to create Lake Allegan.

On June 4, 2025, the energy giant confirmed that it was in negotiations to sell the 13 dams and their associated facilities, but did not indicate the buyer or buyers of these structures.

"We believe a sale of the dams is the best path forward for our customers," said Brian Wheeler, Consumers spokesperson. "Negotiations are in progress, although we need to be clear we have not reached a final decision."

When the company released the RFP (Request for Purchase) in late 2024, it was stated that Consumers would give preference to a buyer that would continue operating the dams. If such a purchaser came to the limelight, Consumers would sell the dams for $1 each with the stipulation that Consumers would negotiate a long-term agreement with the purchaser to buy their output.

When Consumers Energy teams conducted meetings in the areas where the 13 dams are located, some residents had no concerns about their dam removal. That was not the case with Calkins Bridge Dam. For Lake Allegan residents and recreational and sports people who use the lake and the river below the dam, there were numerous concerns.

The concerns centered around loss of recreational opportunities, the impact on private property, water wells, and environmental concerns like impounded silt buildup which is especially true for Calkins on the Kalamazoo River that is a Superfund site.

Groups like the Friends of Lake Allegan and the Michigan Hydro Relicensing Coalition are adamantly opposed to removing the dams, while some conservation groups want to return the waterways back to their natural state. They believe that the structures impede fish migration and warm the water.

Consumers Energy announced that they are in negotiations to sell the 13 hydroelectric dams whose licenses will require renewal in the next 5-10 years. Homeowners around the lakes formed by these dams are concerned about the contents of any agreement, and want to know that the dams will be properly maintained to avoid future problems.

Some stakeholders are fearful that any new owners would not be a state regulated utility. If not, the company would not be able to receive cost recovery money or request rate hikes for capital improvements. Therefore, there would be no incentive to complete upgrades of the facilities.

As some stakeholders noted, the fear of poor maintenance was brought to light with the collapse of the Edenville and Sanford dams on the Tittabawassee River in May of 2020. Poor maintenance and heavy rain caused a local flood and emptied two lakes.

There are some areas associated with the 13 dams that would benefit from the removal of the dam, if the associated area was brought back to its natural state. This would be similar to what has been occurring with the Otsego Township and Plainwell Dams along the Kalamazoo River.

Consumers Energy stated, "Negotiations are in progress, although we need to be clear we have not reached a final decision. This process is very complex and covers a significant amount of detail, and we owe it to our coworkers, communities, and customers to take the time to make the best decision. Once a decision is made this year, we will communicate with stakeholders."

Though the decision has not been finalized, the Friends of Lake Allegan continue to seek additional information regarding the contents of the agreement. The current licenses on the dams may be 5-10 years before the required renewal, but the sale to the wrong buyer could prove disastrous over the lifetime of the landowners around Lake Allegan.

Residents and other stakeholders are requesting that the Friends of Lake Allegan leadership take more of a frontline stand and convey all communication with Consumers Energy to those who have signed up on the Friends of Lake Allegan website. What was originally shared by Consumers as a decision for 2026 seems to have been moved to 2025, and stakeholders are trying to discern how to approach any Consumers Energy decisions.

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Residents safely evacuated from Ganges house fire

Ganges Fire Department, with assistance from South Haven Area Emergency Services, extinguished a residential fire on property at 68th Street near 114th Avenue, Ganges Township on Sunday morning.

The departments were dispatched at 9:10 a.m. The fire appeared to have started on a porch near a grill the residents had been using. Flames spread to the home's interior, but were quickly controlled by responders.

The occupants safely evacuated.

Watson Twp wins $15k grant

The Consumers Energy Foundation announced the winners of the 2025 Put Your Town the Map pitch competition, providing a total of $50,000 in grant funding for the winning projects. The three towns will receive $25,000, $15,000 and $10,000 respectively to go toward their projects.

"Consumers Energy is committed to enhancing the quality of life for our neighbors and communities," said Brandon Hofmeister, president of the Consumers Energy Foundation. "We're proud to invest in these initiatives that will strengthen community identity and improve public spaces."

The winners are:

Fowlerville (Livingston) — Developing a mural honoring hometown hero, Charlie Gehringer, a Baseball Hall of Fame inductee who played for the Detroit Tigers from 1924-1942.

Watson Township (Allegan) — Supporting Seven Generations Park, a collaboration with the Anishinaabe (Gun Lake Tribe), Martin High School, and the township, featuring a natural area and veterans memorial.

Manistee — Creating the Voices of Manistee initiative, a civic storytelling project aimed at strengthening community identity and fostering a sense of belonging among residents.

The projects were selected by a panel of judges made up of Consumers Energy, Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) and Community Economic Development Association of Michigan (CEDAM) representatives, after being pitched at the Rural Partners of Michigan's annual Small Town and Rural Development Conference. Consumers Energy started the competition, which seeks to support communities in Michigan with fewer than 10,000 residents, in 2019.

AAESA Board re-elects Collier; appoints Calhoun to fill vacancy

At its June meeting, the Allegan Area Educational Service Agency (AAESA) Board of Education re-elected Board President Larry Collier to a new six-year term. In addition, the Board named Stephanie Calhoun t o fill the vacancy created by a recent departure.

A long-standing champion for public education, Larry Collier has served on the AAESA Board since 2003 and has held the position of Board President for several terms. In his re-election remarks, Collier emphasized the Board's mission to ensure a high-quality education for all students across Allegan County.

"I have lived in parts of the world where students have very limited educational opportunities," Collier stated, reaffirming his belief in equal access to quality education.

His leadership, documented and praised by the AAESA community, underscores his deep-rooted commitment to local schools and regional educational initiatives.

The Board also selected Stephanie Calhoun, President and CEO of the Allegan County Community Foundation, to fill the recent open seat on the board. Calhoun brings extensive leadership experience in community development and youth advocacy, including outreach in public school programs.

Multiple people injured in Pullman crash

On 6-14-2025 at approximately 11:29 pm, Allegan County Central Dispatch received an iPhone crash notification near the area 56th St and 112th Ave. Pullman Mi Lee Twp. After units arrived, it appeared that the preliminary investigation shows that a SUV was pulling out of a driveway and a NB pickup truck struck the SUV causing it to flip over after striking a tree. There were multiple patients with serious injuries that were transported to multiple hospitals. Speed and alcohol are believed to be a factor. No names are being released at this time as the investigation is still being conducted by the Allegan County Crash Reconstruction Team.

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Community Events

Community Calendar - Week of June 16, 2025

EVENTS TO WATCH FOR!

Thurs., June 19, 2025: Library Fun! 6pm – Intro to Ham Radio: Learn about amateur radio.

Fri., June 20, 7-9pm: Rollin' on the River – Da'Veonce & DaFunk Gang
Allegan Riverfront off Hubbard St. Allegan

Sat, June 21, 2025, 8am: Camp Kidwell Golf Scramble & Auction
Cheshire Hills Golf Course 102nd Ave. Allegan

Sat., June 21 & Sun. June 22, 2025, 7pm: Theater in the Park
The Gazebo at Mahan Park Brady St. Allegan

Mon., June 23, 2025: Library Fun - 6pm, Act Out! – Learn acting skills with Spike Kunetz.

Mon., June 23 & Tues., June 24, 2025, 6-8pm: Auditions – The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe
Griswold Auditorium 331 Hubbard St. Allegan

CURRENT EVENTS

Wed., June 18, 2026: Library Fun!
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
Friends of the Library Donation Drive
2pm – Teen Tie Dye Club: Make colorful artwork – June is tote bag month.
6:30pm – Pub Quiz: Tantrick Brewing Co. 243 Hubbard St.

Wed., June 18, 2025, 6:30pm: Pub Quiz Night
Tantrick Brewing Co 243 Hubbard St. Allegan
Teams can begin registering at 5:30pm. A library card gains extra points. There are 4 round of 10 questions each. Test your memory!

Wed., June 18, 2025, 6-7:30pm: Mushroom Workshop
Allegan Conservation District 2412 Taft Rd. Allegan
Sponsored by the Allegan Conservation District. For additional information, contact Allegan.Admin@macd.org.

Wed., June 18, 2025: Bike Nights
Wayland Downtown Wayland
downtownwayland.com

Thurs., June 19, 2025, 8am-2pm: Allegan Farmers Market
Parking Lot Water & Cutler Streets Allegan
Double up food bucks are available at City Hall 231 Trowbridge St. Enjoy a wide variety of fruits and vegetables plus live plants, specialty foods, and crafts.

Thurs., June 19, 2025: Library Fun!
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
Friends of the Library Donation Drive
10:30am – Preschool Storytime: 3-5 year old have fun interacting with books.
2pm – Discover 4-H with MSU: 5-12 year olds can enjoy learning about different countries and doing crafts.
6pm – Intro to Ham Radio: Learn about amateur radio with the Allegan County Amateur Radio Club.

Thurs., June 19, 2025, 4-6pm: Third Thirsty Thursday
Allegan Event 439 River St. Allegan
The Allegan Area Chamber and the Allegan Jaycees collaborate for fun networking.

Fri., June 20, 2025, 9am-4pm: Community Rummage Sale
Glenn Public School 1394 Adams Rd. Glenn
Donations can be dropped off at the school June 12-18 (no clothing). All proceeds will benefit Glenn Public School PTC.

Fri., June 20, 2025, Library Fun!
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
Friends of the Library Donation Drive
6pm – Teen Nerf Night: Duke it out in the stacks and enjoy a hydration break. Register at 269 673-4625

Fri., June 20, 2025, 3pm: Hudsonville Balloon Days & Craft Show
Hudsonville Community Fair 5235 Park Ave. Hudsonville
Hosted by Veteran Helping Veteran. Check https://www.facebook.com/hudsonvilleballoondays.

Fri., June 20, 7-9pm: Rollin' on the River – Da'Veonce & DaFunk Gang
Allegan Riverfront off Hubbard St. Allegan
Enjoy some funk & hip-hop.

Fri., June 20 & Sat., June 21, 2025, 10am-4pm: Old Jail Museum.
The Old Jail Museum 113 Walnut Street Allegan
The Allegan County Historical Society invites all to tour or peruse the museum during its summer hours. Private tours can be arranged with a docent by calling (269) 673-8292.
Email: oldjailmuseum06@yahoo.com Webpage: www.alleganoldjail.com

Sat, June 21, 2025, 8am: Camp Kidwell Golf Scramble & Auction
Cheshire Hills Golf Course 102nd Ave. Allegan
The Golf Outing and auction were postponed dur to weather, so get your 4-some and register at campkidwell.org or register at 8am for a 9am Shotgun Start. Be a player, a hole sponsor and/or an auction bidder and have a wonderful day with family and friends! The online auction is https://auctria.events/kidwellgolf25.

Sat., June 21, 2025, 12pm: Lila's Fund Corn Hole Tournament
1236 122nd Ave. Hopkins, MI 49328
Get ready for an exciting event! Our First Annual Lila's Fund Cornhole Tournament. Join us in our mission to raise funds to support families in need. We are dedicated to providing essential wish list items to families staying at the Ronald McDonald House Charities! Visit www.lilasfund.org/event-list to register! Questions: email lilasfund513@gmail.com or call 269 832-2642.

Sat., June 21 & Sun. June 22, 2025, 7pm: Theater in the Park
The Gazebo at Mahan Park Brady St. Allegan
Celebrate the 1st day of summer with an evening of theater at the remodeled Mahan Park. The free show is for all ages.

Mon., June 23, 2025: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
11am, Perler Pals Art Club – Ages 5-12 enjoy crafting with Perler Beads
1pm, Craft & Snack – Bring a project and supplies then work and chat.
6pm, Act Out! – Learn acting skills with Spike Kunetz. This is a 4-part class with a final performance all for fun.

Mon., June 23, 2025, 4-8pm: Stitch Night at the Den
Bear & Fox Yarn Den Brady St. Allegan
Bring a project and drop in for a casual evening of stitching.

Mon., June 23 & Tues., June 24, 2025, 6-8pm: Auditions – The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe
Griswold Auditorium 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
Come and audition to become part of the production that brings Narnia to the stage of the Griswold with the Allegan Community Players. The show will be September 26th, 27th at 7:00 p.m., and September 28th at 2:00 p.m.

Mon., June 23, 2025, 5-8pm: Fork in the Road, Food Truck Rally
Downtown Allegan. Find your favorite food! Trucks will be lined up along Brady and Locust Streets and shops will have extended hours.

Tues., June 24, 2025: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
10:30am - Lapsit Storytime: 0-2 year olds enjoy stories and activities.
1pm - Friends of the Library Meeting: All are welcome to support the library.
2pm – Music at the Blissful with Evan Haller Children's Concert: Ages 0-7 can enjoy music dance and fund with Evan Haller.

Tues., June 24, 2025, 5:30-7pm: ODC Fishing Derby
Outdoor Discovery Center 4214 56th St. Holland
A buddy-style derby where team have 1 adult and 1-2 children under 14 years old. All proceeds support the habitat maintenance of the Dylan Compagner Memorial Fishing Pond.

Wed., June 25, 2025: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
11am – Drawing Dinos with Corinne Roberts: Ages 6-12 can learn simple drawing techniques using dinosaurs. Register at 269 673-4625.
2pm – Sing Song Family Yoga & Literacy: Children & their caregivers join Deb Weiss-Gelmi for yoga, music and literacy.

6pm – Preparing for Retirement: Learn about financial wellness from Ashley Suarez of 5/3rd Bank to help plan for retirement.

Thurs., June 26, 2025, 8am-2pm: Allegan Farmers Market
Parking Lot Water & Cutler Streets Allegan
Double up food bucks are available at City Hall 231 Trowbridge St. Enjoy a wide variety of fruits and vegetables plus live plants, specialty foods, and crafts.

Thurs., June 26, 2025: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
10:30am – Preschool Storytime: 3-5 year olds enjoy stories and more.
1pm – Teen Art Class with Mary Clare Johnson: Grades 6-12 can learn the process of utilizing various paints and styles. Register at 269 673-4625.
6pm – Understanding Foster Care Q&A: Ronnie Swank will answer common questions about foster care, support for foster care families, and its impact.

Fri, June 27, 2025, 6pm: Teen Tech Night
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
Teens take over the technology after hours. Register at 269 673-4625.

Fri., June 27, 7-9pm: Rollin' on the River – Asamu Johnson & the Associates of the Blues
Allegan Riverfront off Hubbard St. Allegan
Enjoy some Blues.

Fri., June 27, 2025, 8:30pm-12:30am: Glow Disc Golf Night
First Baptist Church S. M-40 Allegan
Fun for the family to support the Congregational Kitchen free meals.

Sat., June 28, 2925: Jumpstart Your Genealogy
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
Learn how to explore various aspects of hunting down and organizing family history.

Sat., June 28, 2025: BBQ at the Airport
Padgham Field Grand St. Allegan
The Airport Board will host a BBQ at the Airfield and invite the public to attend.

Sat., June 28, 2025, 2-3pm: Tantrick Brewery & Stillhouse Tour
Tantrick Brewing Co. 243 Hubbard St. Allegan, MI
Check out what is happening in Brewer/Distiller Patrick's Stillhouse. Make Reservations at the Taproom.

Sat., June 28, 2025, 2-4pm: Eccentric Garden Plant Workshop
Eccentric Garden 136 Brady St. Allegan
Learn beginner macrame plant hanger making with guests Knot Ur Mother's Macrame.

Mon., June 30, 2025, 4-5pm: Small Business Support Group
Tantrick Brewing 243 Hubbard St. Allegan
Current and prospective small business owners can gather to talk and share ideas.

Mon., June 30, 2025, 5-8pm: Fork in the Road, Food Truck Rally
Downtown Allegan. Find your favorite food!

Mon., June 30, 2025, 6pm: BINGO
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
All ages can come and enjoy Bingo.

Thurs., July 3, 2025, 5-fireworks: July 3rd Jubilee
Allegan Riverfront Hubbard & Brady Streets Allegan
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Theater in the Park opens Saturday on the Allegan riverfront

By Gari Voss

The Allegan Community Players are again bringing free family entertainment to the Allegan Riverfront on Saturday, June 21 and Sunday, June 22, 2025, at 7pm.

Company president Don Grant invites all to "Celebrate the first days of Summer with an evening of theater at the newly remodeled Mahan Park. The setting is perfect for an evening of entertainment in the beautiful new amphitheater next to the scenic Kalamazoo River!"

Grant explained, "This is the Allegan Community Player's annual gift to the community to thank you for your support over the past century. So, bring your lawn chair and a friend!"

This year's two comedies written and directed by Spike Kunetz include:

"Soccer Mom Mom"

At a youth soccer game, three unruly grandparents are banished to the penalty area where chaos—and comedy—ensues.

Cast: Jane Holewa, Rick Moll, Matt Flora, Lindsay Kruse

"They Came for Human Beans"

A UFO sighting throws a small town into hilarious panic, while a savvy radio station manager scrambles to make the most of the madness.

Cast: Linda Havens, Kassidy Bright, David Clement-Horton, Tim Morris, Lane Bright

The cast members are excited to share the stories. "I have to say I love the idea of performing in the great outdoors to a live audience," shared Matt Flora. "I think it's a great way to introduce theater to people who might not otherwise attend a production inside an auditorium and persuade them otherwise. It's also such a privilege to work with an original script and understand firsthand what the writer is conveying then working together to bring these amazing characters to life. I am so excited after 30 years of being away from the community players to be a part of it once again."

From the Human Beans cast, Kassidy Bright explained, "These plays have been so fun to act in. In rehearsing, it took us a couple practices until we could stop cracking up at most of the jokes, and even now, we have to try so hard to keep a straight face! This is my first time ever doing a play outside, so I'm excited to try this new challenge! Despite the bugs and heat, I just know there's going to be a lot of fun and laughter.

"While my character has a lot of long lines, rehearsals have been going great, and I love building my character as Devin. She's a strong and independent station manager that just wants to follow in her father's footsteps but also get rich! I've been remembering her motivations as I read every line, and I think she's a fun character to play. Come see Devin and her crazy radio station this weekend, June 21st and 22nd!"

Tim Morris, Kassidy Bright, and David Clement-Horton rehearse a scene from "They Came for Human Beans," one of the two comedies being presented at Theater in the Park this weekend. The free live theater event plans to open Sat., June 21st and repeat on Sun., June 22, 2025, at the new Mahan Park Gazebo. If the gazebo is not completed, the shows will move to the Riverfront Mainstage or if inclement weather to the Griswold Auditorium.

"This was planned as the inaugural event of newly renovated Mahan Park," stated Kunetz. "We hope to open in the newly constructed gazebo, but if the new gazebo is not ready, we will move around the corner to the Riverfront Mainstage. If it rains, the show will move to the stage at the Griswold Auditorium."

No matter what, the show will go on.

Restoration of Mahan Park began in March 2025 and was scheduled for completion July 1, 2025. The facelift is possible thanks to partial funding through the generous contributions of area residents and businesses during the 2024 $50,000 matching fund campaign with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) campaign, Michigan-based crowdfunding platform Patronicity.

The $100,000 matching fund grant, $100,000 funds from the Consumers Energy Foundation, an additional $160,000 from MEDC funds and the city's general fund comprised the $400,000 necessary to complete the improvements to the 40 year old park. That facelift includes replacing the gazebo structure, better handicap accessibility, and aesthetic improvements.

So, amble down to the Allegan Riverfront on Saturday, June 21 and Sunday, June 22, 2025, at 7pm for free entertainment and lots of laughs.

Faces in the Crowd

G C Stoppel

The other week I walked into the store to pick up a couple of things, and the clerk at the counter told me, "We don't take cash. You gotta use a card." I gave him the traditional 'death stare' and walked out without saying a word. It wasn't very nice of me, but then it wasn't nice to change a long-standing American tradition of using money. Today's question: Are you cash or card when it is time to pay?

-Man at a farm stand on M-89: "Whichever is more convenient. I mean, if it's just a couple of dollars I'll get rid of the ones. Otherwise, it more or less depends."

-Older man with him: "You ought to use cash. There's no record or paper trail. You use a card, and the next thing you know, the government knows everything about you. This place is an example. Nobody knows if I buy booze of fruit and vegetables. A card, and the way things are going, the government and insurance companies are on to you."

-Woman outside the grocery store in Fennville: "Cash and my Snap. I hate to admit it, but times being what they are…."

-Young man near the Old Jail Museum in Allegan: "Cash. My folks say I'm still too young to have a credit card. And they hate debit cards 'cause if they get lost or stolen, a thief can wipe you out."

-Woman near the Allegan Post Office: "Card. Always. No handling money that may have germs or cocaine on it, and no touching something that could be filthy. Just tap, and that's it. My granddaughter said some money has Fentanyl on it that can kill you."

-Another woman, near the Post Office: "It depends. Sometimes I get offered what they call a 'friends and family discount.' Then I use cash. They give me a discount which I appreciate, but then they get charged by the card company. I don't like that. So…it depends."

-Couple near the Regent Theater; Man: "I read the other day that some service stations add on a dollar a gallon for anyone using a card. That's wrong. Just plain wrong. I haven't seen it around here, and I'd better not." Woman: "You go into some places and they got this teeny-weenie sign on the cash register that they're charging extra if you use plastic. You gotta watch out for that."

-Older Woman near Minnie's: "I still use cash, but my kids all like cards better. If we go out for a meal, they want to pay, but I always insist I'm doing the tip. I hand it to the waitress or waiter, not put it on the card or leave money on the table. If I hand it to them, then I'm sure they really get it. That's important these days."

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Moving woes, why do I keep doing it?

MIKE'S MUSINGS

MIKE WILCOX
■ PUBLISHER ■

For some reason I feel the need to move from one house to another, or one office to another, every few years. This time my fiancé and I, decided to move from our condo to a house on an acre of land. This is after three years ago, moving in the condo, I declared, "This is my forever home."

But it wasn't. As usual, I got the itch to move into another home and moving days were last Friday and Saturday. We hired a moving company, instead of taking on the task ourselves, even though we were only moving 10 miles away, but it was well worth the money.

My old bones ached from the five or six SUV trips we made back and forth with important personal items. I hobbled from car to house and house to car, like someone would walk 20 years my senior. It was exhausting, and now we sit in a house full of boxes, wondering where the most rudimentary items are. Where's my toothbrush, or even my underwear.

I had to get my office set up and ready to go for 7 am Monday. That meant reconnecting my myriad of computers, screens etc. Then Spectrum was summoned to hook up the internet. I figured it one be a simple process. Was I wrong. Four hours later they were still at the house trying to get me internet. Waiting around was nauseating. I had so much to do but had to wait around while Spectrum technicians had to figure out, what I thought was a simple situation.

In the end it all worked out but I'm clueless when it comes to Xomos, Spectrum's new streaming service they push on you instead of cable. The jury is still out whether Xomos is better than the old-fashioned cable I have had for 40 years. I know it takes some time to get used to. We are still trying to figure out the new channel line-up.

Moving is always stressful, but this time we broke nothing at least what we know of. We are still unpacking so who knows what broken glass lies in wait. But it is nothing like the time a few years back when we moved our Paw Paw office.

We didn't have movers; it was just my son and I. After an exhaustive stretch, we climbed into the truck to take off to our own destination. As I back out, we both hear a strange crunch noise. I'm wondering what could we have run over? I ordered my son out to inspect and lo and behold, a 60-inch television was smashed to bits.

In his lack of wisdom, my son had placed the TV at the back of the truck and forgot it was there. I didn't think about it, thus that TV was no longer operative.

That same day we took a break and sat on a park bench. He brought along his laptop. As we again were pulling out, running over the TV, and on our way, a thought came to him- "where is my laptop?"

We high-tailed it back to the park bench and learned it was no longer there. We went to the police department, but they had no clue as to its whereabout.

Moving that day was expensive. We lost a very nice television, and a laptop loaded with company information. Maybe hiring a moving company would make more sense.

Did I tell you I hate moving!

Life as Performance Art

G CORWIN STOPPEL

Earlier this month a longtime friend sent me one of his favorite quotes from Ecclesiastes: "Whoever increases knowledge increases sorrow." He added a modern refrain: "And spikes our anxiety." I thought about it the next morning when I went for a pre-dawn walk. This time of the year I get up early because one of the great joys is to listen to the early songbirds. I have been doing it since elementary school. The city is quiet, there is no traffic, no one on the prowl to ambush me with a cheery "Good morning!" I listen to the birds, sometimes I can smell a lawn that was trimmed the evening before, or various flowers.

Most mornings are the best part of the day, especially when that brief passage from the ancient wisdom literature oozes back into my brain and haunts me like a song I cannot get out of my mind. I smile and am grateful I am out for a stroll, not on a nature study tour to increase my knowledge.

I don't think that passage has ever been more true than it is today, but probably everyone generation would have said about the same thing. Add the words, "and spikes our anxiety" and we definitely know we are looking at today's mindset and mood.

I do not think that our disquiet is created solely because of the headline news, nor even the clickbait of less prominent, but always bad or scary news. Rather, it is a lifetime of unsettling experiences that increases our sorrow and anxiety. To that, we add the vicarious bad or frightening news in the lives of others, especially people we know. It is a case of too much knowledge and too much information.

Growing up, my sister and I rode in the front seat of Mother's Buick Roadmaster. It had a powerful engine and really good brakes. Back in that era, cars did not have seatbelts, and the only thing that kept us from flying out the windshield was Mother's right arm that she would flail across us when she touched the brakes. A classmate, Marlene, wasn't so lucky. She was a front seat passenger in an accident. We went to her funeral a week later. I never trusted the might and strength of Mother's right arm after that. Now, I cannot move my car half way down the driveway without buckling up.

A couple of decades later I moved to northern Alberta, Canada. I took off without a map, knowing all I had to do was head north, cross the border and turn left ninety miles later when I got to Winnipeg. I kept following the sun until I got to Moose Jaw, turned right, and watched for a sign several hundred miles north that said, "Grand Centre." I was there. That was it, and all done without one of those accordion-style road maps. Last week a friend called and said they would need a ride from O'Hare Airport, adding that it was only 200 miles from Saugatuck. I have better sense now and said, "Take a bus. It's too dangerous a drive."

I threatened my sister that I might return to the old hometown this summer for my high school class reunion. It will be the 55th year since we cross the stage to get our diploma, much to the relief of The Olds. Someone got worried that so many classmates are falling off their perch we ought to get together every five years instead of ten. (There you have it: the adult knowledge of our mortality compared to when we graduated and KNEW we were immortal.)

Her first words were, "Oh, I don't think you really want to do that. I doubt there is anyone you will remember." It was her way of saying, "I don't want you to do it. Rochester is too dangerous and riddled with crime, and besides, most them are gone or their minds are away with the fairies. Besides, what makes you think any of them want to see you?"

Her husband later whispered, "If you come she'll slip one of those luggage trackers into a pocket so she can keep track of you." Good to know, but that is just the incentive I need to attend this get-together. Before I leave for home, I'll palm it off to one of my classmates, maybe the one who lives in The Villages in Florida. That will free me from the sorrow of being tracked and spike her anxiety when she thinks I've made a run for it. That may be the high point of the weekend.

It is this mad rush forward in technology that I find so demoralizing. I had an interesting conversation with a teacher who dearly loves to teach but is running up against the tech challenges. She said that students don't know how to do research for a paper. Back in the day we spent hours in libraries, making notes on 3 by 5-inch cards, and laboriously pecked out an outline, rough draft, and then a final one on a manual Underwood typewriter. Today, she lamented, they type a question on some Artificial Intelligence website, and let it do the work for them.

Thank goodness, most schools are on their summer break by now. On the afternoon of June 10, I got an emergency message that CHAT GPT is down. Just think of the spike in adolescent anxiety that students might have to write their own term paper, mash notes to their sweetie, or plan a date night. Terrible. Call out the trauma counselors.

"They don't know how to talk with each other," she said. I thought of the Café Culture for which Paris is famous. People meet at a cafe and talk live, in person, face to face. They can dawdle over a two-ounce industrial strength espresso for hours. Jean Paul Sarte and Simone de Beauvoir met every morning at the Deux Maggot and wrote most of the papers and books at the café. Now people text, and if they don't like something they read, instead of debating it, they cancel each other.

My teacher friend did not mention the really spooky evolving advance: the companion chatbots. A visit to the web site and you can select some ready-made virtual entity, tap some other prompts, and you have your own always-available companion. Want to spend a miserable night with HL Mencken or have a debate with avatars of Johnny Adams and Tommy Jefferson? Go for it.

Even creepier are the other sites that will allow you to submit a few photographs of a deceased individual, perhaps a few recordings of their voice, and fill in some other information. In less time that it takes me to finish this sentence, you can start having a heart-to-heart with an historical figure or former flame. No longer is there a reason to connect with the real world. In fact, maybe the real world is not really real, and we are all somehow caught in a snare or web of AI.

Thinking about these things or 'increasing knowledge' is truly saddening. It is not fit content for the brain in the pre-dawn hours while listening to cardinals and robins battling over who can sing the prettiest and loudest song. We feel diminished by the news, and there is nothing we can do about it, anymore than the Luddites were able to stop the spinning wheels and looms that were destroying their way of life.

But, we can escape from the doom and gloom, if only for a little while. I do it through those early morning walks, or again the evening when I go out to remind the birds it is bedtime. Others do it through the performing or visual arts, even if they have no aspirations of making a living from their avocation.

We all find a way to make a break from the harsh realities of life, and hopefully we make good choices.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Not happy with Reps response

To the editor:

I would like to share my response to an email I received from The congressional representative for our district, William Huizenga.

Honorable Mr. Huizenga:

I use the term "honorable" because it seems more respectful than some others that come to mind. I certainly don't want to be disrespectful. So please consider my respect for you as a reflection of that which you have demonstrated for all your constituents.

Honorable Sir, you sent me email which is obviously AI generated. Why do I know it's a product of AI? The statements you (AI) make in the letter are at odds with your voting record.

For instance, you (AI) claim the reconciliation bill now before the senate will reduce taxes for everyday Americans. The actual language in the bill in fact does not do that. It lowers taxes for all your billionaire buddies. I suppose if you calculate the tax savings for those folks and divide it equally among all your constituents, it looks like we, the common people, get a tax break. But, that's not what is in the bill. We, the common people, get to pay more to help offset those tax cuts for your benefactors. Don't take my word for it, the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office determined that "if the House bill gets enacted, the bottom decile of Americans by income would lose about $1600 while the top 10 decile would gain more than $12,000. Meanwhile, the debt would balloon to 134% of GDP by 2034." If you had not just copied large portions of the "Project 2025" manifesto to be included in the Big Ugly Bill you would know this. You should have read what you plagiarized. I did and it is at complete odds with your AI generated letter.

Honorable Sir, your AI generated letter goes on to tell me how you are protecting all of us common folk from cuts in Medicaid, Medicare, and Healthcare. You really need to reprogram your AI bot. You voted for a bill (in the middle of the night, without having read it) which will, among other things, remove 11 Million people from Medicaid, 5 Million from the Affordable Care Act exchanges, slash SNAP by more than $700M, strip 4.5 million children who are U.S. citizens of eligibility for the Child Tax Credit, and eliminate or reduce energy credits and subsidies, sending energy costs soaring, particularly in red states.

In conclusion, spare me your lies, AI generated or not. I want an accountable government which works for the common good of all Americans, not just the few who were fortunate enough to amass great wealth.

Sincerely,
William Jones
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Office of the Allegan County Treasurer, Sally L. Brooks Qualifying Income Limit To Defer Summer Property Taxes

Impacts senior citizens, veterans and persons with disabilities The Michigan General Property Tax Act has been amended to allow certain citizens, including senior citizens, veterans, and persons with disabilties, to defer their summer property taxes if they have a household income below $40,000.

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Sally L. Brooks
Allegan County Treasurer

Letters to the Editor

Important Issues–Time To Wakeup

Dear Editor:

The "Big Beautiful Bill" is not so beautiful to the general public. It will devastate the middle class, and the poorest citizens (many with children that are not getting the food nutrition necessary to grow physically and mentally).

The CBO (Congressional Budget Office) reported on the so called :Big Beautiful Bill". The CBO analysis makes it clear Republicans are selling out both lower and middle class to make the ultra-rich even richer. It is the reverse Robin Hood dynamic.

Legislation is approved will cut $1 trillion from Medicaid and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP or food stamps) to help pay for the $3.8 trillion tax cuts that most of all benefits the wealthiest Americans. The 10 richest Americans got a $365 billion richer this past year, and now are on the verge of a huge tax cut. What a sickening development.

This bill will shrink resources for low income citizens. Personally, in my opinion, politicians responsible for this bill believe that 60% of Am ericans are not worthy of a healthy existence. Health insurance and dietary needs should be be a right in a country as wealthy as the United States of America.

Speaker of the House, Mike Johnson, has said "that only people not deserving will be kicked off Medicaid. That is rich coming from a wealthy person to eliminate health care for a minimum of 7 million low income families.

A reporter asked U.S. Senator Joni Ernst at a town meeting about the deaths that would result from the proposed cuts to Medicaid. Her response was a flippant "we are all going to die". What an unprofessional and disgusting remark. Consider that 40% of all Iowa citizens survive because of Medicaid. Who is Senator Ernst representing. Obviously not the people of Iowa.

There are other alarming issues that I never dreamed would occur in this country. The following is a list of some, but not all as more are coming daily:

1. Flood protections were cut in blue states, and the federal cuts have left the U.S. unprepared from natural disasters.
2. IRS cuts could led to steep revenue losses.
3. Trump has shared and/or amplified 330 conspiracy theories in a six month period.
4. As of June 4th Trump has posted 2,262 times in 132 days. Most of the posts are outlandish fired off in the late hours of the night sharing unfiltered thoughts that are alarming his staff
5. Many posts include anti-Semitic memes, and attacking the media.
6. Trump has used many QAnon conspiracy theories. Consider that Trump professed that President Biden was executed in 2020 and replaced by clones and robotic engineered soulless mindless entities. Also claimed Federal judges are committing treason and sedition. This is coming from the Commander-In-Chief who has been a master of projection. Do you think a stable person would do this?
7. Trump has asked Congress to slash funding for NPR, PBS, and all Foreign Aid. This funding has already been approved (this would be $9 billion). This would include $1.1 billion for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting which funds NPR and PBS. This would strip Americans of vital information at a low cost. It is simply censorship to silence truthful journalism. The remainder is foreign aid for deserving poverty stricken people around the world. Lives have already been lost as a result of stopping funds to USAID.
8. Kristi Noem praised President Trump's use of the National Guard during a generally peaceful demonstration. The same Kristi Noem on Feb. 6, 2024 threatened then President Biden when considering federalizing the National Guard to disrupt some anti-immigration efforts. Noem warned President Biden would be mounting a "direct attack on states rights" sparking a war between Washington and a Republican led state. Today she honors what she objected to in 2024. We are witnessing a phony, and the Homeland Security Secretary Kristi's Noem's word means nothing. Also she told Congress that Republicans voted to allow U.S Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to employ participants in the January 6, 2021 attack on the U.S. capitol. NOT TRUE
9. Republicans have stoked propaganda that they are better for the economy than Democrats. This information came from labor statistics which is non-partisan. Consider since 1970: Ave. GNP Democrats 2.88% Republicans .94%; Jobs Democrats 61.2 million Republicans 27 million; Stocks Democrats 2228.5% Republicans 793.28%; Unemployment Democrats 5.84% Republicans 6.16%; Recessions Democrats 1 Republicans 7; Criminal indictments Democrats 3 Republicans 272
10. Speaker of the House Mike Johnson is quoted as professing that Gov. Gavin Newsome should be tarred and feathered. That is something that happened regularly in the racist Jim Crow south. How revolting that our political leaders feel justified to say anything. This is the same Mike Johnson who claims to be a practicing Christian. I do not believe Christ would b in support of this behavior. Saying you're a Christian does not make you one.

Today another disturbing political statement. The Trump Administration stated that a peaceful protest in California was an insurrection. Interesting that they called a true insurrection on January 6th as a friendly walk in the park!

Absurdity is alive and well in today's politics.

Mark Austin Hopkins

The Want-to-be King has no Legitimacy

To the Editor:

One thing has become crystal clear … the actions of the Trump Administration are repulsive to the American people. The response to Mr. Trump's combination of Flag Day, his birthday and the Army's 250th Anniversary was a bust. Attendance was poor, maybe 100,000 carefully screened individuals. His military parade was a $45 million dollar ego trip (exceeding the $25 million personal golf outings). It belittled our Armed Forces, best in the world. Counter to America's foundational beliefs in civilian government, Mr Trump wants to project military power - Stalin, Hitler, Mussolini style. Also, for us everyday Jane's and Joe's, it's a message to remain silent while they do their dirty work.

It does not work. And will not work. No King's Day in over 2,000 cities with millions of American citizens participating, displayed complete disgust at Trump's illegal actions. How this tyranny will end is unknown. We can say for sure that the Trump administration does not reflect the wishes of 10s of millions of American people. In the most fundamental and democratic way, through the corrupt, hateful, cruel, foolish and abusive use of power, the Trump administration lacks legitimacy.

This quotation by Elie Wiesel , Holocaust survivor and Nobel Laureate, offers an important message to those of us conflicted on our course of actions.

"We must always take sides. Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim. Silence encourages the tormentor, never the tormented."

Jim and Linda Kauppi Allegan

Obituaries

Patricia Louise Gillette, 85

February 23, 1940 - June 7, 2025 (Age 85)

Patricia Gillette passed away peacefully after midnight on June 7th.

Patricia was born in Paw Paw, Michigan. She had many struggles throughout her life but they led her to Christ. With each hardship she grew stronger in her faith. She married Earl Gillette and they had three boys. After having children she spent most of her days being a homemaker to her family. After many prayers, by Patricia, Earl came to know the Lord. This was Patti's biggest blessing.

Patricia Louise Gillette

Patti was an active church member. She volunteered in her church's food pantry, made meals, attended Bible studies, prayer groups and more. Patti was a friend to all. She was always willing to give advice and a listening ear. She had so much empathy that it wasn't uncommon to see her crying at church. She had a big heart that she wore on her sleeve. Her community will miss her. She left goodies for her mail person and had close talks with her accountants and grocery bagger. You couldn't ignore her contagious smile. If she was ever upset you knew it by looking at her. A friend and a prayer was all she needed to settle. She found much joy in her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She enjoyed seeing pictures, school work, hearing stories and sending birthday cards. Her youngest great grandchild gave her the nickname "G G."

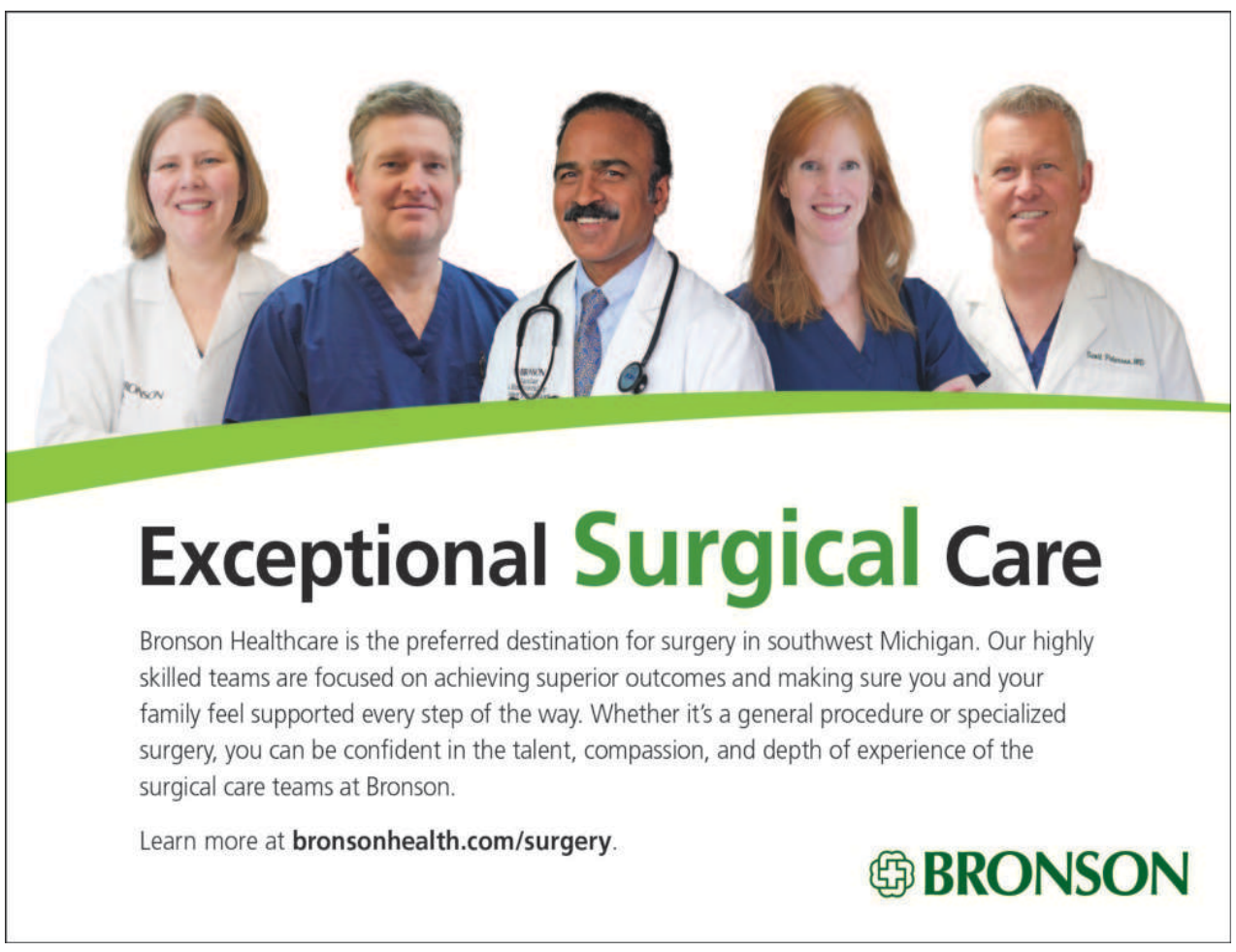
Patti spent her final years diligently, caring for her husband, Earl. She hated leaving his side. After he passed in February (2025) there was a hole in her life. Patricia voiced many times before her death that she was ready to be with him again.

She is survived by her brothers, Thomas (Alma) Lodge and John Lodge; sister, Joan Havenga; her three sons, Scott (Sandra) Gillette, Joel Gillette and Kurt Gillette; her 6 grandchildren, Jennifer (Dan) Einfeld, Matthew (Sarah) Gillette, Brooke (Kyle) Hunsbereger, Dustin Gillette, Brittany (Michael) Peters and Kyle Gillette; 17 Great Grandchildren, Aviela Einfeld, Asher Einfeld, Azalea Einfeld, Alliot Einfeld, Abriella Einfeld, Amelia Einfeld, Dyllan Gillette, Liah Gillette, Lillian Hunsberger, Amelia Hunsberger, Matilda Hunsberger, Elliana Hunsberger, Hunter Gillette, Colton Gillette, Madison Gillette, Allison Peters and Bradley Peters; and many nephews, nieces, friends and wonderful church family.

Preceded in death are her parents Alfred Lodge and Helen Howler; and grandson, Justin Gillette.

Patricia's memorial service will start at 11 am on Thursday, June 19, 2025 at Christ Community Church. Flowers may be sent to 3370 113th Ave, Allegan, MI 49010 prior to the service.

Donations may be made to Christ Community Church, Centrica Hospice or St. Judes Children's Hospital in honor of Patti. Patti often donated to St. Judes.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Otsego Library kicks off summer program June 21

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

The Otsego District Library is planning to jumpstart its annual summer reading program with a kickoff event on Saturday, June 21.

Running from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., the event will feature colorful bounce houses, fun art stations (including splatter painting), disc golf, chalk art, a color scavenger hunt, popcorn and more.

"Our theme is 'Color our World,' so we're focusing on colors, art and creativity," Otsego Library assistant director Diane DeVries said.

Children from newborn through 18 years old will also be able to sign up for the summer reading program (SRP) during the kickoff event. Sign-ups can also be done at the library during normal operating hours through Saturday, July 12.

For the SRP, participants through fifth grade put a sticker on their reading log each day they read.

"When they reach their goal of reading at least 20 days—although we encourage them to read 40 days—they can come in to get a finisher bag," DeVries said.

The finisher bags are filled with prizes along with coupons for pizza and ice cream. Those who finish the program will also be also be select a free book.

Finisher bags will be available beginning Monday, July 14.

"Teens and tweens have the goal of reading four books, with an extra challenge to read 10," DeVries said. "After reaching that goal, they also get a finisher bag."

Children and teens who finish the reading program can enter to win one of the grand prizes: Meijer gift cards of $300, $200 or $100 that come with a reading pillow. They can also enter to win one eight "Colortastic Grand Prize Picks," which include items like LEGO, art sets, a disc golf set, Manga Tiles or a Minecraft set with Chicken Jockey.

The program runs through Saturday, Aug. 2.

Each Tuesday throughout the summer, the library will host Art-Tastic Events at 10 a.m. that are suitable for all ages. Those events are:

* Benjammin's Color Our World Interactive Concert on June 24.
* Joel Tacey's Foam Party (Outdoors) on July 1.
* Movie & Popcorn—"Harold and the Purple Crayon" on July 8.
* Jeff Wawrzaszek's Art of Magic on July 15.
* Mosaics with Meijer (Mosaic Art & Cupcakes) on July 22.
* Cotton Candy Colors—Science That Tastes Good! on July 29.

"We also have recurring events almost every day of the week for kids and teens," DeVries said. "For ages 0-5, we have Messy Colorful Play on Monday and Colorful Stories and Songs on Wednesday, both at 10 a.m. For grades K-5, we have Creative Stations on Wednesday at 2 p.m. and Masterpiece Makers on Thursday at 10 a.m.

"For teens and tweens, we have Color Pop Art Lab on Tuesdays and Canvas & Chaos on Thursdays, both at 2 p.m."

There will also be a scavenger hunt in downtown Otsego called "Felix Colors Otsego" featuring the library's fox mascot from Saturday, June 21, through Saturday, Aug. 2.

"The library is excited to see the creativity of the kids in our community this summer," DeVries said.

For more information about the summer reading program, visit the ODL website at otsegolibrary.org.

Ransom District Library adds color to summer reading

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

The Ransom District Library invites children through high-school-age to participate in what promises to be a colorful summer of reading.

For its annual summer reading program, RDL selected the theme of "Color Our World," which is being used by many libraries throughout the nation.

"Libraries receive a manual of program activities and suggestions each year that is created by the Collaborative Summer Library Program," RDL assistant director Erin Marsh said. "This is an organization of librarians from around the country who come together specifically to create summer fun and enthusiasm about reading.

"In Michigan, the Library of Michigan provides this manual to local libraries free of charge. The themes are announced 3-4 years in advance."

Sign-up for the summer reading program is already underway at RDL and can be done at any time during normal library hours.

Upon registering, participants will be given a special summer notebook in which they record all books they finish. When five books have been finished and recorded, participants can bring the notebook back to the library to be stamped before selecting a prize from the "fabulous prize box."

The summer reading activities at Ransom Library included a colorful "snow" storm. (Photo provided)

"This can be repeated as often as desired all summer," Marsh said. "For every five books read, kids will earn a prize."

Marsh said all participants are encouraged to read at their level of comfort.

"This way, the youngest children can participate by having stories read to them," she said. "Additionally, kids who struggle to read can practice by reading materials that they can read comfortably, thus creating a positive experience, topped off with a treat."

There are prize boxes for toddlers (child-safe options), children, older elementary kids (grades 4-5) and teens, ensuring prize options are suited to the interests of the child.

Ransom began its summer reading program on Friday, June 6, and has already held some events, including a Colorful Snowman Craft on Thursday, June 12.

"Children made colorful snowmen and got snowman-shaped crayons and freeze pops as a special treat," Marsh said. "The highlight of the day, however, was using our wind tunnel device to make it 'snow' in color in the library.

"Using tissue paper confetti, children were able to explore the properties of wind."

The Colorful Snowman Craft was part of "white" week, with other color weeks upcoming.

"During blue week, we'll have Bluegrass & Tall Tales," Marsh said. "This is on Tuesday, July 1, (1 to 2 p.m.) with The Bright Star Theatre coming play bluegrass classics and bring classic tall tales such as Paul Bunyan to life.

"During green week, the Critchlow Alligator Sanctuary will return with an exciting selection of live animals to inspire wonder. This will be Tuesday, July 15 (2 to 3 p.m.)."

There will also be several recurring programs, such Story Time each Wednesday from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. For teens, Manga Night will be each Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., with Dungeons and Dragons the second and fourth Saturday of each month from 2 to 4 p.m.

"Events have been heavily attended so far, and we have registered about 350 young people to participate in the reading program," Marsh said.

For a full list of summer activities and events at Ransom, visit ransomlibrary.org.

ORDINANCE SUMMARY
CITY OF OTSEGO

ORDINANCE NO. 175
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 6 ANIMALS - SECTIONS 6-1, 6-7(b), & ADDITION OF SECTION 6-10 ARTICLE I – IN GENERAL

This Ordinance Amends Chapter 6 Animals – Sections 6-1; 6-7(b), & Addition of Section 16-10; Article II. In General

This Ordinance will be offered for a second reading and adoption at the regular meeting of the Otsego City Commission, Monday, July 7, 2025, 7:00 p.m. Otsego City Hall, 117 E. Orleans St., Otsego, MI. This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days following adoption by the Otsego City Commission and upon publication of this summary in accordance with City Charter.

A complete copy of Ordinance No. 175, may be obtained from the office of the City Clerk, 117 E. Orleans St., Otsego, MI 49078

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SUMMARY
Otsego Township
June 9, 2025

The regular meeting of the Otsego Township Board was held on Monday, June 9, 2025, at the Otsego Township Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Supervisor Winn.

Members Present: Winn, Colin, Gudith, Moll, Burns, Bumgart.

Members Absent: Lunarde-Alexander.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approved Minutes from the May 12th regular meeting.

Approved bills in the amount of $98,188.64.

Approved Planning Commission Case 25-01: Boone Rezone, per the Planning Commission's recommendation.

Approved MTA Premium Pass Renewal fees.

Tabled action regarding Sherman St Blight, until July.

Approved fireworks permit application for Captain Boom Fireworks, LLC.

Adjourned the meeting at 7:57 P.M.

Submitted by: Jen Colin, Otsego Township Clerk.

Notice
of Commenting Period
City of Otsego Planning Commission
Draft Master Plan Update

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in accordance with Article II of Act 33 of 2008, the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, City of Otsego, Allegan County, Michigan is in the process of amending its Master Plan. The draft Master Plan has hereby entered a period for public comment on Monday, June 16, 2025.

Attached is an electronic copy of the proposed City of Otsego Master Plan for your review as a stakeholder within or near City of Otsego per the requirements of Act 33 of 2008, the Michigan Planning Enabling Act. Should you require a hard copy, please notify the City of Otsego's City Clerk by first class mail at 117 E. Orleans Street, Otsego MI 49078, within ten (10) days.

The final draft will be considered at Public Hearing on Monday, July 28, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Otsego City Hall Chamber, 117 E. Orleans Street, Otsego, MI 49078. Written comments will be received until the night of the respective hearing at the above-stated address.

City of Otsego will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services at the meetings to individuals with disabilities upon 72 hours advanced notice to the City. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the City Clerk by email, phone, or mail.

Angela Cronen, City Clerk
CITY OF OTSEGO
PLANNING COMMISSION

Otsego Township
Planning Commission
Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to PA 110 of 2006, the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, the Otsego Township Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, July 7th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at Otsego Township Hall, 400 N. 16th Street, Otsego, MI 49078.

The following items will be heard, considered, and possibly have action taken upon them:

1. A request from Steven Laws, owner of 321 15th Street, also known as Permanent Parcel 03-17-360-003-00, to rezone said property from the R-1 Low Density Single-family Residential District to the R-2 Medium Density Single-family Residential District. Said property is legally described as follows: LOT 3 KITSMILLER ACRES SEC 26 T1N R12W.
2. A request for site plan review from Rick Schell, interested party of 1291 M-89 Highway, also known as Permanent Parcel 03-17-024-062-01, to construct a retail and service establishment with drive-thru within the C General Business District, per Section 11.02(b)(3) of the Otsego Township Zoning Ordinance.
3. Any other such business that comes duly before the Planning Commission.

A copy of agenda items and draft documents is available for viewing during office hours at the above noted address. Members of the public are invited and encouraged to participate in all public hearings and open meetings within the Township.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that Otsego Township will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services at the hearing to individuals with disabilities upon five (5) days written notice to the Township Clerk at PO Box 257, Otsego, MI 49078, by phone at 269-694-9434, or by email to jcolin@otsegotownship.org.

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B SECTION
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Top Senior Student-Athletes: Allegan

Press Box Perspective

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

Joey Chestnut is back!

It's as if the clouds parted and a chorus of angels began singing.

On Monday, June 16, competitive eating legend Joey "Jaws" Chestnut tweeted the following:

"I'm thrilled to be returning to the Nathan's Famous Fourth of July Hot Dog Eating Contest. This event means the world to me. It's a cherished tradition, a celebration of American culture, and a huge part of my life."

And just like that, all was right in the world again.

For those of you who don't know (although I find it hard to believe there's anyone who hasn't been following this gut-wrenching saga), Chestnut, the 16-time Nathan's Hot Dog Eating Contest champion, was banned from the Fourth of July event last year.

His infraction? He dared to ink an endorsement deal with plant-based food company Impossible Foods.

Major League Eating, the organization that oversees the Nathan's Hot Dog Eating Contest, contended that the deal violated its "hot dog exclusivity provisions."

Chestnut disagreed, pointing out—quite validly, I must add—that since Impossible Foods is a meatless company, there was no conflict of interest.

Major League Eating, led by chairman George Shea—refused to back to, and wouldn't allow Chestnut participate.

It turned out to be a bad decision on MLE's part, as the ratings for the event dropped nearly 200,000 viewers to 831,000, the lowest mark in more than a decade. The fact that the winning performance of 58 hot dogs and buns in 10 minutes was some 20 less than Chestnut usually consumes didn't help matters.

Chestnut, on the other hand, did just fine.

He signed a deal with Netflix to go one-on-one with Japanese eating legend Takeru Kobayashi. Chestnut made a cool $100,000 for his 10-minutes of work at the event, during which he bested Kobayashi by consuming a record-setting 83 hot dogs. Kobayashi downed 67 dogs.

So, I wasn't at all surprised the MLE came crawling back, hat in hand, basically begging Chestnut to come back.

"The Nathan's Famous Fourth of July Hot Dog Eating Contest stands as an enduring beacon of freedom for our nation and the world," Shea said in a statement. "We look forward to watching the greatest eaters as they compete on a celebrated platform for international sports."

Chestnut maintains he never should have been banned in the first place.

"While I have and continue to partner with a variety of companies, including some in the plant-based space, those relationships were never a conflict with my love for hot dogs," he tweeted. "To be clear: Nathan's is the only hot dog company I've ever worked with.

"I respect that there were differences in interpretation, but I'm grateful we've been able to find common ground. I'm excited to be back on the Coney Island stage, doing what I live to do, and celebrating the Fourth of July with hot dogs in my hands!"

I couldn't have said it better, good sir. Welcome back.

Maddie Antkoviak didn't start playing basketball until her freshman year in high school after being encouraged to do so by her P.E. teacher. (Photo by Jason Wesseldyk)

Athletics helped teach Antkoviak the importance of dedication

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

Maddie Antkoviak's first experience with athletics wasn't particularly great.

"When I was little, probably like third grade, I played tennis," said Antkoviak, a recent Allegan graduate. "But I hated it."

Fortunately, Antkoviak didn't let that stop her from trying other sports.

"I started swimming when I was eight," she said. "To be honest, it was hard, but I always loved getting to see my best friend Ava. I think that's what got me to stay at first. Eventually she left, but I discovered that something about swimming had a hold on me.

"I think every swimmer you talk to will tell you it's a love-hate relationship. But even if I complained about how hard it was, life without swimming would have felt wrong."

After swimming throughout high school, Antkoviak will continue her swimming career at Olivet Nazarene.

But swimming wasn't the only sport in which Antkoviak participated while at Allegan, as she also played basketball in the winter and was involved in track & field in the spring.

For her efforts in those sports, Antkoviak was named co-recipient of the Allegan County News Award, which is given to the top female athletes of Allegan's graduating class.

"Athletics has been such a big part of my life and has taught me so much, especially about discipline," Antkoviak said. "I'm sure so many people say that, but it's so true. Getting up every morning to get in a cold pool is hard. But you'll always be rewarded by the feeling of accomplishment afterwards. It's a feeling I can't describe.

"You're so tired from the awful set you just did, but you feel so amazing because you did it and you didn't give up. And when you prove to yourself that you cannot only show up for yourself, but you can show up for yourself and not give up, that's something you'll always remember when life gets hard."

While swimming is the sport Antkoviak has been involved in the longest and the one she will continue to pursue at the collegiate level, it actually isn't her favorite.

Rather, that honor goes to basketball.

Ironically, Antkoviak never considered playing hoops until her freshman year after her P.E. teacher made a comment to her in the hallway.

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Thompson didn't shy away from challenging herself in athletics

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

During her athletic career, Shyonna Thompson displayed a willingness to try new things, particularly when it came to her spring sports.

After playing softball as a freshman and sophomore, Thompson participated in track & field before moving to tennis as a senior.

And although she only played tennis for one season, she quickly learned to love the sport.

"Of all the sports I played in high school, tennis was my favorite," said Thompson, who played volleyball in the fall and basketball in the winter. "It's just a really fun sport and I made a lot of great bonds during the season."

Although new to the sport of tennis, Thompson was playing like a seasoned veteran by the end of the season.

Thompson paired with fellow senior Lilli Kelley at No. 4 singles, with the duo winning two matches at the Division 4 State Finals before falling to the eventual champions from Pontiac Notre Dame Prep in the semifinals.

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Shy Thompson played basketball, volleyball, softball, track and tennis at Allegan. (Photo provided)

Wedge shined on soccer field and on wrestling mat

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

Recent Allegan graduate Luke Wedge was a member of the boys soccer program all four years of high school and wrestled for the last two years.

Luke Wedge heads a ball during soccer season. (Photo provided)

For his efforts in those sports, Wedge was named as the 2025 recipient of the vanMelle Award, which the Allegan Athletic Department presents annually to the top male athlete of the graduating class.

According to Wedge, he couldn't image what his life would be like without sports in it, as he got involved in athletics at an early age.

"I started playing soccer when I was pretty young, around six years old," he said. "I love it right away. I just like being active and being able to run around out there."

In addition to the more traditional school-sponsored sports in which Wedge participated, he was also active in Brazilian jiu-jitsu and kickboxing.

It was one of those sports that he actually enjoyed the most.

"My favorite sport was Brazilian jiu-jitsu," he said. "There's just so much to learn from it and it can teach you a lot of great lessons about life."

Given his passion for Brazilian jiu-jitsu, it should come as no surprise that Wedge eventually decided to give wrestling a try during his junior year at Allegan.

Because while jiu-jitsu and wrestling have several distinctions, they are similar in that they are both "grappling-based combat sports that share foundational techniques like takedowns, sweeps and various control positions."

Allegan wrestling coach Chase Beard is definitely glad Wedge joined the team.

After winning district and regional championships, the Tigers advanced to the state level of the postseason tournament for the first time since 2019.

In its Division 3 quarterfinal match against Hart, Allegan trailed 24-19 with four weight classes remaining. That's when Wedge earned a 15-7 decision at 138 pounds before Treydan Vanderkooi picked up a pin at 144.

That put the Tigers up 28-24 with just two weight classes left to be decided.

A 10-3 decision by Landon Fance-Coulson upped Allegan's lead to 31-24, thereby guaranteeing the win for the Tigers.

"After (Wedge) won that 138-pound match, I knew that the dual was over, even with three weight classes remaining," Beard said.

Luke Wedge received the vanMelle Award as Allegan's top senior male athlete. (Photo provided)

And while the Tigers fell in the semifinals to eventual state champion Dundee, the experience was one to remember for Wedge.

"Being on the team that made it back to the state tournament is one of my favorite memories from high school sports," Wedge said.

Another favorite memory was competing at the individual State Finals.

Wedge went 1-2 in his matches.

"To compete at the State Finals as a team and individually was a great experience," Wedge said.

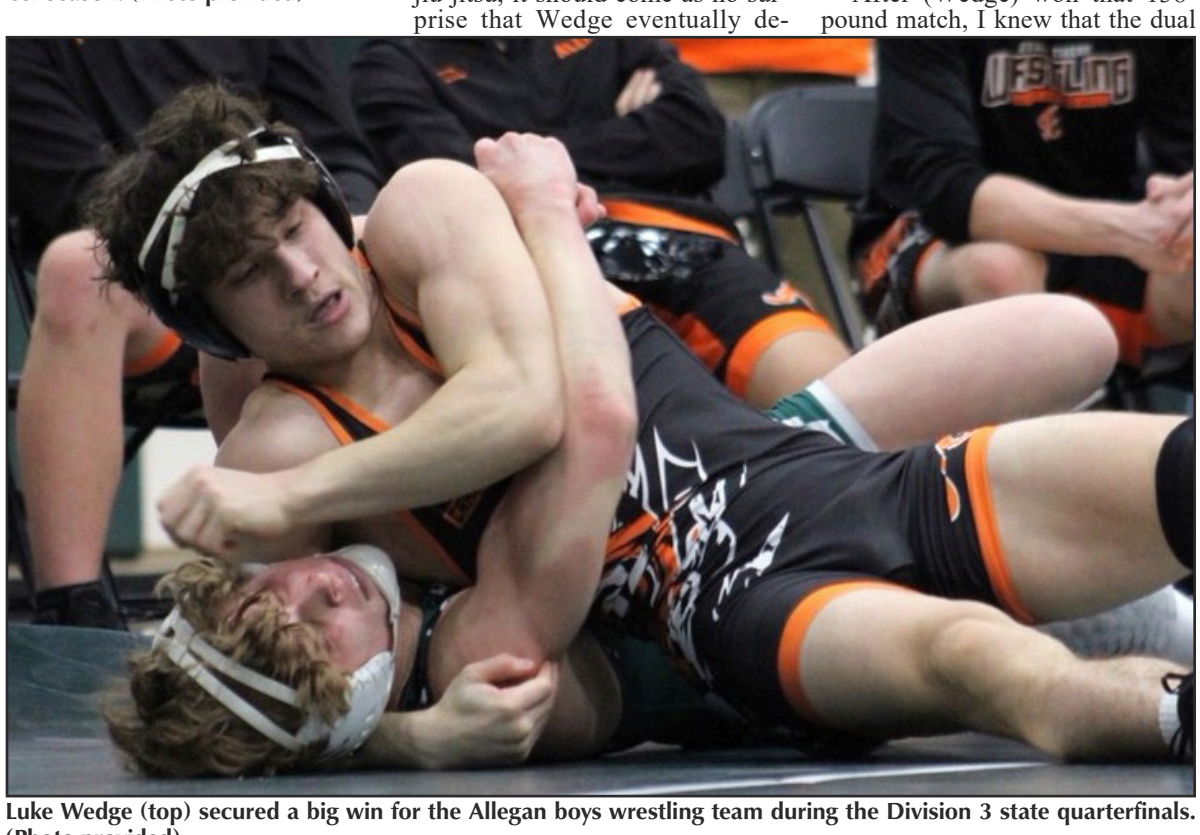
It was those experiences—as well as the others he had during his high school athletic career—that taught Wedge some great lessons.

"Athletes taught me that as long as you try, you can achieve great things," he said. "The key is just to work harder to improve myself."

According to Wedge, Allegan boys soccer coach Aaron Rogers helped him learn those lessons and many others.

"Coach Rogers was a coach who really made an impact on me," Wedge said. "He's just an overall a good guy and taught me a lot about good sportsmanship."

Moving forward, Wedge plans "to keep working and training" with a goal of opening his own gym in the future.



Luke Wedge (top) secured a big win for the Allegan boys wrestling team during the Division 3 state quarterfinals. (Photo provided)

Antkoviak ■ *from Page B1*

"My gym teacher said, 'Maddie, you're tall. You should play basketball.' So I showed up to practice the next day and Mrs. Devries asked me to show her my layup. I actually had to ask her what a layup was. I didn't have the first clue about basketball.

"I ended up falling in love with it. I would stay up at night practicing ball handling drills in my garage because I wanted to catch up to all the other girls. I put it lots of work with my dad and I like to think it paid off. I'm so glad I showed up to that first practice."

Antkoviak said JV basketball coach Tim Rynearson and varsity basketball coach Sharron Thompson both made a lasting impression on her, as did swim coach Carol Gephart and track & field coach Mike Chalupa.

"(Rynearson) taught me that people are willing to show up for me," she said. "He invested so much time into helping me with basketball and pushed me hard. And (Thompson) is one of the sweetest people I know. He worked us hard, but he's a little teddy bear deep down."

Antkoviak called Gephart a "genius" and said Chalupa "had been there for me my whole high school career."

"Coach Gephart taught me not only about swimming, nutrition and anatomy, but she's taught me about life and inspires me to be more patient," Antkoviak said. "She also likes to remind me and the whole team that should never settle for anything less than what we deserve. She likes to say, 'The boys sure are lucky to have you gals.'

"Coach Chalupa me feel cared about. He always checks in on me to see how I'm doing. He's been there to talk to when I was really struggling with anxiety. And he makes me feel special."

Antkoviak also had special words for Allegan athletic trainer Keenan Begley.

"Keenan has been such a key factor in my athletics," she said. "He's helped me with multiple sprained ankles, bloody noses, bad shoulders, blisters, bruises, cuts, shin splints and the list goes on. But he's seen me at my best and my worst.

"He always made me feel so important and I knew I could talk to him about anything. Keenan will always be my trainer."

While athletics kept Antkoviak busy throughout the year, she still managed to make time for other activities. In particular, she enjoys singing and has led worship for events and churches all around Michigan.

Antkoviak's passion for music began at a young age, as she started singing with her mom and sister when she was three. At age 15, she started singing on her own in church.

"And then this past year or two, I've started to really branch off and have been blessed with the opportunity to help lead (worship) at some amazing churches and have gotten asked to do some fun little gigs here and there," she said.

Last November, Antkoviak started playing guitar and began writing her own songs.

"What I really love is when I write a song that moves people," she said. "Sometimes people come up to me and tell me how they were really touched by the lyrics and how they cried listening. That's what brings me joy because it shows that I had an impact.

"Another thing I love is when I'm leading worship, specifically for younger groups, I can see the hunger they have for the Lord and how freely they worship and it's so inspiring to me and it fills my cup. Writing music can also be an outlet for me and it helps me find words when I can't figure out how I feel."

In addition to her passion for athletics, Maddie Antkoviak also has a passion for music. She recently traveled to Nashville to record the single "Petals on Roses." (Photo provided)

Antkoviak even traveled to Nashville with her mom to record the song "Petals on Roses" and hopes to record more music in the future.

At Olivet Nazarene, she plans to major in business and minor in music ministry.

"I'm hoping to keep writing music and maybe go back down to Nashville sometime soon to record a little EP and see where the Lord takes that journey," she said.

As far as swimming, she excited to see what competing at the collegiate level is like.

"I'm going to work hard and do my best," she said. "Right now, I'm swimming with the Otsego club team since the Allegan pool is closed until July. I'll also be lake swimming around here until I head off to college."

Thompson ■ *from Page B1*

The three points earned by Thompson and Kelley helped Allegan finish sixth in the state with 11 points.

It was efforts like those that led to Thompson being named co-recipient of this year's Allegan County News Award, which is presented annually to Allegan's top female senior athlete.

"I've really enjoyed (participating in sports) ever since I started," Thompson said. "It helped keep me busy and helped me stay in shape. Plus I made a lot of really good friends in sports."

Shy Thompson is seen in action during the basketball season. (Photo provided)

Thompson began playing sports in sixth grade, quickly gravitated toward volleyball and basketball.

Her senior year of basketball was a particularly good one, as the Tigers posted a 14-8 record after going 7-15 in 2023-24 and 7-14 in 2022-23.

The hardwood also provided one of the memories that Thompson will take with her from her high school athletic career.

"We loved pouring ice water on (head girls basketball coach Sharron Thompson) after we got a dub," Thompson said.

But in terms of team success, Thompson couldn't top her one season on the tennis team.

In addition to the sixth-place finish at the Division 4 State Finals, the Allegan girls tennis team won a regional championship and the SAC-Lakeshore title.

It was through the learning curve she experience on the tennis court as well as her experience with her other sports that Thompson learned several valuable life lessons.

"I learned the importance of never giving up and to just keep pushing," she said. "It's not always easy, but hard work pays off eventually."

And what about when things aren't going your way.

"I learned to never sulk over something that you can't change," she said. "Just focus on what you can do and try to do better."

In the fall, Thompson plans to head to Kuyper College in Grand Rapids to continue her education and her athletic career. She will be part of the school's women's basketball team.

Kuyper College competes in the National Christian Collegiate Athletic Association (NCCAA) Division II.

"I'm excited to be able to keep playing basketball," Thompson said. "My main goal is to be able to travel the world and do something big with my career."

She plans to bring the same work ethic she displayed in sports to her college experience and her career.

"I have worked really hard to get where I am and I'm going to keep working hard," she said. "Nothing is just handed to you."

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Camp Kidwell Scramble defies the weather

By Gari Voss

The Camp Kidwell Golf Scramble was postponed because of the weather that caused electrical outings, but golfers will tee off on Saturday, June 21, 2025, with 8 am registrations and a 9am Shotgun Start at Cheshire Hills Golf Course. Foursomes and Individuals can register. Teams of four will traverse the course trying to win prizes. A live auction is open that includes fantastic items for all members of the family. All participants will be given a golf cart and lunch. For additional information, go to https://event.auctria.com/9d-964d8e-b7f3-4194-8ed6-13c48ebbe05f/ or campkidwell.org.

This is a major fundraiser for Camp Kidwell. The proceeds go to support scholarships and programs at Camp Kidwell. So, the camp staff encourage everyone to locate that golf bag, clubs and cleats, and come to Cheshire Hills Golf Course, 3829 102nd Ave., Allegan, and enjoy the fun and competition on the links. Plus, golfers and non-golfers can bid on online auction items. For additional information, call Cheshire Hills Golf Course at (269) 673-2882.

Narnia slated to transform the Griswold in September

By Gari Voss

The land of Narnia will come to the Griswold Auditorium Stage in the Allegan Community Players' production of *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. Though the production will not open until September 26, 2025, with performances on September 27th and 28th, the work has just begun.

Auditions are now being held at the Griswold Auditorium on Monday, June 16th and Tuesday, June 17th, then again on Monday, June 23rd and Tuesday, June 24th from 6-8pm. There are many opportunities for actors from 10 years and up as well as for anyone willing to help with sets, costumes, props and other production needs.

The actors will take the audience into the imaginative and enchanting world of Narnia that was created by C. S. Lewis. Lewis invites children and adults alike to follow Lucy, Edmund, Susan and Peter through the wardrobe that they discover in an old house in rural England. As the children work to release Narnia from endless winter, they make some unique friends and a deceptive enemy.

The question becomes whether the children and rightful residents of Narnia will be able to defeat the White Witch in the great battle. If they can, Narnians can come out of hiding and enjoy their freedom and life under Aslan in a world of many seasons.

For additional information concerning auditions please see the allegancommunity-players.org website.

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Allegan County Correction Center held in high esteem by Re-Entry Unit participants

By Gari Voss

The Allegan County Correction Center held a graduation ceremony and celebration for two women who successfully completed the requirements of the Female Re-Entry Unit program. Family, friends, mentors and supporters of Sally Sovinski and Melissa Wentworth gathered for the presentation of certificates and a simple lunch in the jail's courtroom.

"The Community Re-entry Unit is a comprehensive program that the women choose to complete, and it is quite rigorous," stated the Pastor Sarah Montgomery of the Reach the Forgotten Jail Ministry. "When a woman decides to participate in the program, she must agree to participate in a faith-based program but does not need to be a believer in God. There are classes built off personal growth and life skills every Monday thru Friday morning and afternoon for 10 weeks."

The women who choose to participate in the program go through an interviewing process. "The person must be serious about bettering themselves and serious about recovery," explained Pastor Sarah.

The program includes MRT (Moral Reconation Therapy) and Seeking Safety that are facilitated by Deputy M. T. Carlson. Add to these Anger Management, plus Healing the Wounded heart that is centered on past trauma. Other sessions include Successful Living taught by LOVE, Inc. and budgeting and other Bible-based life skills classes.

The participants come to understand that they are life-long learners, so education is important, and education classes are offered through a partnership with Zeeland Public Schools for career readiness and GED completion. If an inmate has her GED or high school diploma, she participates in career readiness. If not, she must complete a GED (General Education Diploma) before entering the career readiness program.

A number of courses are Biblical-based that focus on life skills like budgeting or how to best utilize finances. The Beatitudes are introduced to teach how to become better human beings.

During their free time, the women finger knit. The beautiful blankets that are created will be distributed by residents of the sober-living homes operated by Rectify Church in Allegan. Because the inmates are unable to go into the community at this time to distribute the blankets, the residents of the sober-living homes will act as a bridge and give out the blankets to other non-profits and families in need.

Pastor Sarah has been employed by Reach the Forgotten Jail Ministry at the Allegan County Corrections Center for 10 years and holds Sheriff Frank Baker in high esteem because she feels he truly displays a desire to help people change and makes efforts to assist inmates in becoming contributing members of their communities.

Sheriff Baker describes the programs at the Allegan County Corrections Center as C.R.E.A.T.E.S, or Community Re-entry Education and Training Employment Services. These programs have expanded at the jail over the years. Because of Sheriff Baker and his staff, the inmates have been encouraged to participate in:

• Work Keys completion: A standardized assessment of workplace skills.

• Career interest inventory: Helps individuals identify potential career paths.

• Resume and cover letter development: Equips participants with the tools to create professional job application materials.

• Keyboarding skills training: Enhances computer literacy and efficiency.

• Career coaching: Provides guidance and support throughout the job search process.

• Computer literacy training: Improves digital skills for modern workplaces.

The recent cohort of the Female Re-Entry Unit participants at the Allegan County Correction Center held their graduation on Friday, June 13, 2025, in the jail's courtroom. For graduates Sally Sovinski and Melissa Wentworth this was a well-earned step forward into reentering private life after completing an intense 10-week course. Front: Chaplain Sarah Montgomery, Judge Emily Jipp, Allegan County Administrator Rob Sarro, L.O.V.E., Inc. Executive Director Barry Lucas. Back: Volunteer Sally Burgess, Graduate Sally Sovinski, Graduate Melissa Wentworth, Sgt. John Sexton, Undersheriff Mike Larson, Sheriff Frank Baker, Volunteer Russ Pogodzinski, Volunteer Sharon Selig, Volunteer Kathy Phillips, and Volunteer Shawn Gillette.

With the addition of MRT and Seeking Safety under the tutelage of trained personnel plus anger management and life skills, the overall Community Re-Entry program has taken on breadth and depth. And while in the program, the participants are housed in a dorm situation where they learn to live in a community.

"It is amazing to witness how the participants change from entry to graduation," remarked Pastor Sarah. "Some people think of the jail as just being a place of punishment, but we have seen so much success with this program. The recidivism rate has been reduced exponentially for participants. The majority of people who go through it do not come back to jail, or if they do, it is not for a new crime but for a probation violation or something like that. When participants leave, they have tools to use and a network for support."

When asked about what the program meant to her, graduate Sally Sovinski shared," I made it through 10 weeks. The experience has been life changing. I have gotten something here that I would not have gotten under any other circumstances. I have grown closer to God, but I have learned how to get through the day in a different way, how to cope with the bigger things in life that have held me back."

Sovinski tearfully continued, "The staff in the Allegan County Jail are wonderful. I can't say enough good things about them. From the COs to the leadership, Pastor Sarah and Patricia, and all the volunteers have really given a piece of themselves, and I can't thank them enough. I have unfortunately been to other jails, and this jail's program is different from what was offered in other places. The sheriff and leadership have allowed something that is kind and compassionate and that doesn't happen in other counties. People should be supportive of the leadership, and people who feel called should volunteer. Overall, people should support what is going on here."

As Sovinski looked toward the future, she stated, "I am looking at some different addiction programs then I will stay at one of the sober houses even after treatment. I plan to attend Rectify Church to see what it is about. The volunteers from there sing praises of it, and I would like to become a part in a good way."

Graduate Melissa Wentworth explained, "I was given the opportunity to do the C.R.U. program, and I think it is very beneficial. I have learned a lot, and the staff here is phenomenal. For being in jail, you get a lot of respect. The program is 10 weeks, and if you get the chance to do it, I recommend it because it is well worth it. In the future, I would like to visit Rectify Church. Plus, I want to take what I learned and go forward. I would like people to know that the more support they can give to the program, please do. And to the inmates who have the opportunity, they should take it."

Not all who start the program complete it in the 10 weeks. Often it is because they come to their release date before the end of the 10 weeks, but there are special circumstances. Sovinski was going to finish her time at Allegan and be returned to Kent County to finish her term before her 10 weeks were completed. Thanks to Judge Emily Jipp, Sally was able to stay and complete the program and graduate. She will finish some requirements in Kent County before returning to Allegan to pursue her future plans.

Like all graduations, completing the program is not an ending, but a beginning. The graduates from this cohort of the Female Community Re-entry Unit look forward to taking what they have learned to begin the next phase of their lives. They are proud of their accomplishments, and often invite their arresting officers to attend the graduation, so the officers can see how the participants' lives have been turned around.

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Peek at the Past

From the pages of The Allegan News and The Allegan County News and Gazette:

June 19, 1950

Jail windows smashed by berserk boy: Fifteen-year-old "Jimmy Jones"—the lad with the split personality who couldn't decide whether he wanted to be a gangster or a minister of God—displayed both sides of his nature to Allegan County law officers Friday.

Shortly before noon, Jimmy heard Probate Judge Harold Weston commit him to the Boys Vocational Home at Lansing. In court for a hearing on the charge that he had attacked Miss Helen Miles, child welfare agent, with a .38 automatic pistol, Jimmy was a model prisoner. He told Judge Weston how well he was being treated at the county jail. He was neatly dressed in a suit with a green bow tie.

Following the hearing, deputies brought him back to the jail for lunch.

He was alone in the upper cell block when suddenly he became a raving maniac. Seizing a broom, he rushed around the cells and smashed virtually every window on the floor. His screams could be heard for blocks as he dropped the broom and lashed out at windows with his bare hands.

June 19, 1975

Half century of history seen at Goodwin auction: It took a 10-man auction team, nearly 1,500 buyers, seven hours' time and just shy of $2 million to separate Allegan from more than half a century of history last Thursday.

The occasion was the dissolution of Carl Goodwin & Sons Inc., one of the state's largest and oldest road-building contractors, and a firm that was born, lived and died in Allegan.

And the demise of the 53-year-old firm was one of the biggest things to hit town outside of the Allegan County Fair in many years.

Nearly 1,500 buyers registered from nearly half the 50 states plus two Canadian providences.

They came to Allegan from large and small firms, by truck and car, and by helicopter and airplane.

The assembled buyers followed fast-moving auctioneers from Forke Brothers Auctioneers on Lincoln, Neb., as they chanted their way up one row and down another of Goodwin's brightly repainted equipment.

June 22, 2000

Wellness Center fields dedicated: It didn't take place in a corn field in Iowa and "Shoeless" Joe Jackson was nowhere to be found.

Still, the Allegan Wellness and Sports Complex was the site of a field, or, more accurately, fields of dreams for Allegan-area youth baseball players.

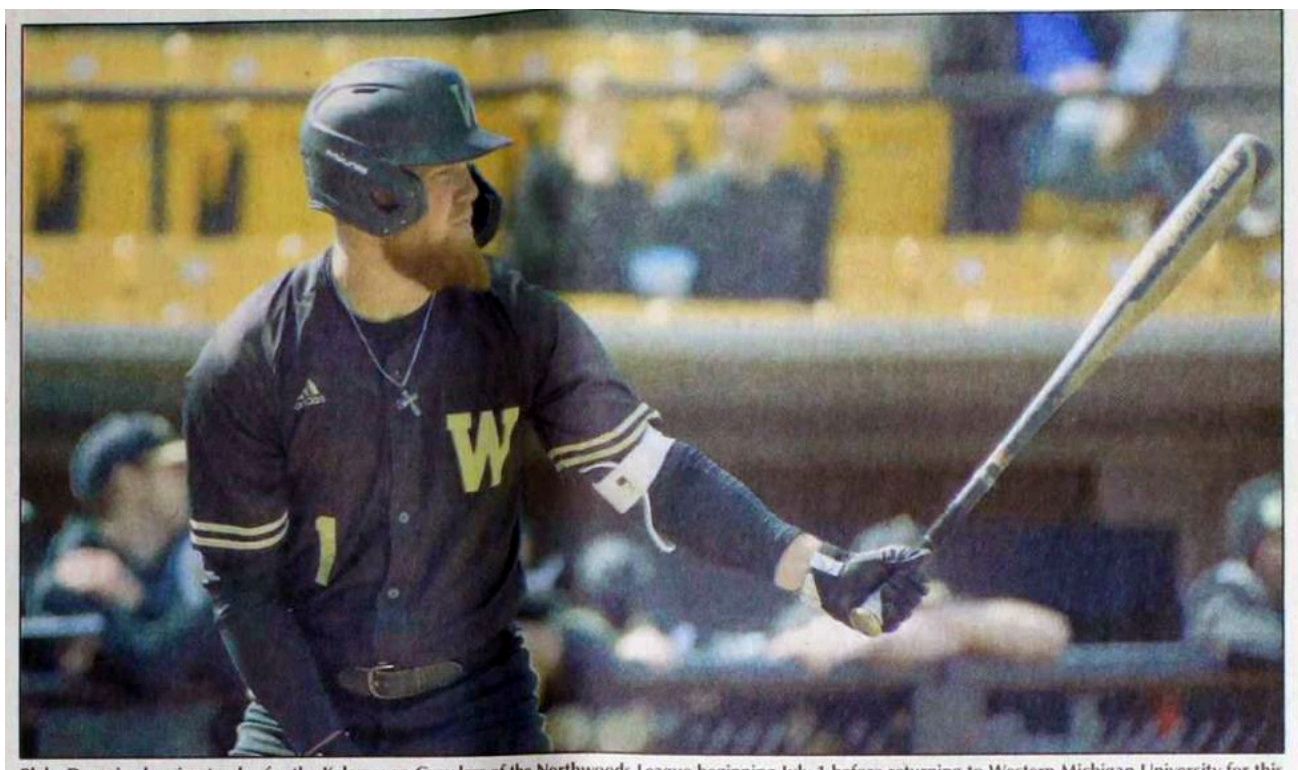
On Saturday, June 17, the four-field facility, known as the Haworth 4-Plex, was dedicated. The dedication was marked by such events as the first games being played on the fields, a picnic, a home run derby and a fastest-pitch contest.

The day was, according to Allegan Youth Baseball Committee member Ron Melvin, the "highlight of any youth sporting program" and a "nice success." Particularly encouraging to Melvin was the number of people who came out to be a part of the ceremonies.

"It was an 'if you build it, they will come' kind of a thing," Melvin said.

And come they did. Melvin estimates that throughout the day, more than 1,200 people came out to watch the 255 little leaguers, ages 7-12, and participate in the dedication festivities.

Lori Sisson kicked off the day at 10 a.m. by singing the National Anthem, which was followed by the ceremonial first pitches. Doing the honors of throwing out the first pitches were Tom Pete, a Haworth supervisor, and Bart Shaw, president of TruHeat. From there, it was time to play ball, with four of the day's eight games played following the ceremony.



Blake Dunn is planning to play for the Kalamazoo Growlers of the Northwoods League beginning July 1 before returning to Western Michigan University for this senior season. (Photo provided)

June 18, 2020

Dunn not selected in MLB draft, returns to WMU: In a normal year, 2017 Saugatuck High School graduate Blake Dunn would have been a shoo-in to be selected in the MLB draft that took place on Wednesday, June 10, and Thursday, June 11.

But this is far from a normal year.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the draft was shortened from 40 rounds to five rounds, meaning just 160 players would be selected as opposed to the 1,217 that were chosen last year.

Still, Dunn remained cautiously optimistic.

"My advisor heard from several teams that were interested," said Dunn, a junior outfielder at Western Michigan University who was ranked as the 95th best prospect in the draft class and projected to be taken in the fourth round by D1Baseball.com. "Playing professional sports has always been a goal of mine and I was looking forward to that opportunity."

But when the Houston Astros selected UC San Diego pitcher Shay Whitcomb with the 160th and final pick in the draft, Dunn realized he would have to wait another year to achieve that goal.

"Not getting drafted is obviously disappointing," Dunn said. "But I believe all things happen for a reason and I'm just going to use this to motivate me even more.

"I'm going to work even harder, go back to Western for my senior year and hopefully help the team win a MAC championship and get into the postseason."

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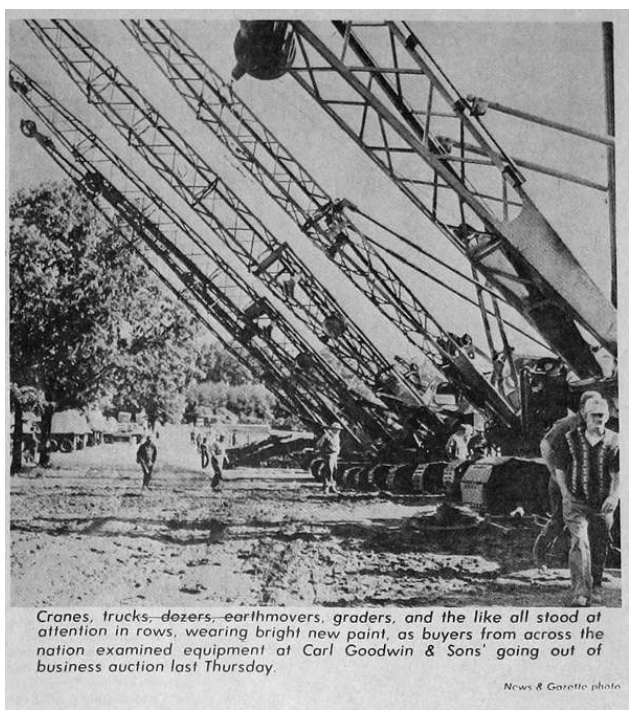

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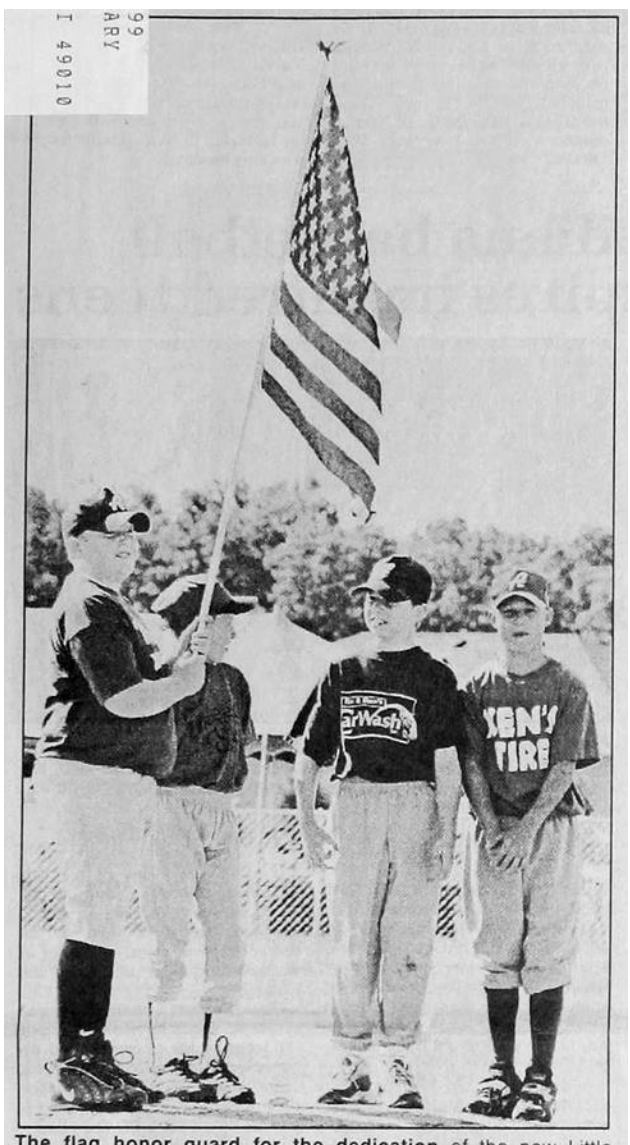

The flag honor guard for the dedication of the new Little League fields at the Haworth 4-Plex facility at the Allegan Sports Center is, left to right, Tyler Melvin, Brad Strand, Adam Brown and Cody Kokotan. The first games were played at the new site last Saturday ending more than fifty years of Little League at North Ward Elementary . (Photo by Walt Kaechele)

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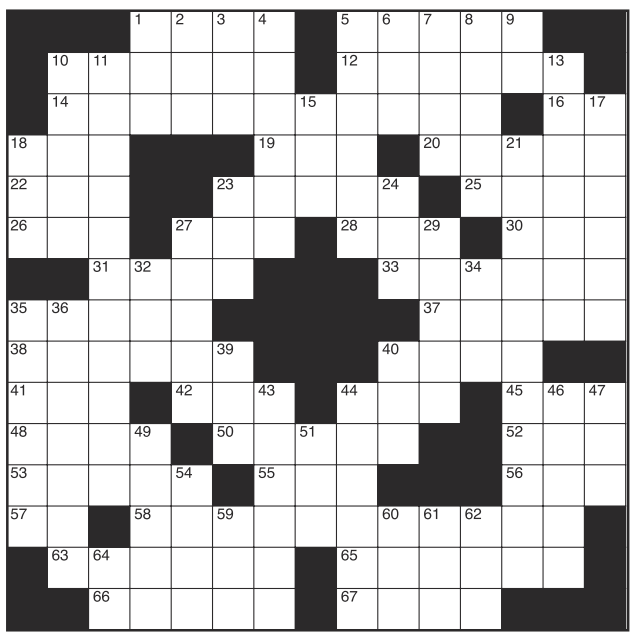

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33. Alternative form of a gene
35. Low shrub some call 'fat pork'
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45. Cool!
48. Real estate
50. Boy's name
52. Airborne (abbr.)
53. Strongly recommends
55. Hit lightly
56. Bar bill
57. Atomic #54
58. Devotes again
63. Fish sauce
65. French stock market
66. Things that consist of two elements or parts
67. Tense

CLUES DOWN
1. Retired game show host Sajak
2. Equal (prefix)
3. Israeli city __ Aviv
4. Loved
5. A type of analyst
6. Ad __
7. Gasteyer and de Armas are two
8. Ran without moving
9. Opposite of yes
10. Diffuse clouds of gas
11. Mentioning one by one
13. Instruments used to dilate
15. Freshwater fish
17. Remotely-manned flying objects
18. Doctor of Education
21. Renews
23. Not the start
24. Pitching stat
27. Small water buffaloes
29. Ceramic jars
32. I (German)
34. Something to toss on a fire
35. The process of flowing in
36. A series of acts at a night club
39. Egg of a louse
40. Inquire too closely
43. Travelers
44. Drink
46. Behave in a way that degrades
47. Electronic music style
49. Northern Ireland city
51. Upset
54. Stiff structure resembling a hair
59. Father
60. North Atlantic fish
61. 8th month (abbr.)
62. Make an effort
64. Commercial

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Deaths

May 23, 2025
JASON DAVID HESSER, 51, Gun Plain Twp.
May 26, 2025
LORETO MARTINEZ, 99, Plainwell
May 29, 2025
WILLIAM SHAWN TRAMMELL, 59, Ganges Twp.
May 30, 2025
NELZ ELLIS MONTAGUE, 83, Wayland Twp.
RONALD DARL RANKINS, 61, Heath Twp.
June 1, 2025
DONALD EARL KAYLOR SR, 83, Laketown Twp.
TAMMY LYNN FARRER, 59, Cheshire Twp.
DALE EDWIN SABIN, 83, Holland
June 2, 2025
LORRAINE MAE KEESEE, 78, Leighton Twp.
June 3, 2025
NANCY EVA MALONE, 81, Salem Twp.
June 4, 2025
JOY ELIZABETH LITTELL, 98, Overisel
DEBORAH LEE NOTEBOOM, 74, Martin Twp.
June 5, 2025
EMA SUE YOUNG-HAM, 86, Casco Twp.
June 6, 2025
JOHN MATTHEW HALLORAN. 74, Douglas
WILLIAM EDWARD STANDISH, 86, Otsego Twp.
EMORY ALAN YETZKE JR, 76, Lee Twp.
June 8, 2025
ETHEL MARILYN LAGENDYK, 90, Wayland
ALICE EDITH TERPSTRA, 97, Wayland
June 9, 2025
RUTH ANN SLOMINSKI, 63, Leighont Twp.

Marriages

The following people applied for a marriage license between June 3 and June 11:

CIERA LINDSEY KUIPHOF, Grand Rapids, and **ZACHARY JON HIRDES**, Hopkins
HUNTER RYAN KOSTER, Allegan, and **APRIL MICHELE MEHL**, Allegan
RYLIN NICOLE DIEKEMA, Fennville, and **KEATON ELLIOTT MUDD**, Fennville
WILL NATHANIEL SMIT, Allegan, and **EVA BERNADETT ZORZ**, Allegan
DUANE MUNCY JR, Wayland, and **PHARA SYLVESTRE**, Wayland
OLIVIA KAY FEIN, Dorr, and **MATTHEW THOMAS PILARSKI**, Dorr
KYLE ALAN VANDRUNEN, Wayland, and **MELISSA MARIE HUFF**, Wayland
KATIE MARIE CASH, Dorr, and **ATTILA XAVER SZUCS**, Dorr
BRYCE WILLIAM MATULONIS, Wayland, and **DELANEY MCGEE BOND**, Wayland
JESSICA MARIE SWANSON, Otsego, and **ERICK WALTER MARCH**, Otsego
MICHAEL WILL ZEILENGA, Allegan, and **KAYLEY ROSEMARIE BODENBERG**, Allegan
DANIELLE SHEA COMLEY, Allegan, and **SPENCER TY POGODZINSKI**, Allegan
AIDAN PATRICK TAKACE, Otsego, and **ANNE CATHERINE LISKEY**, South Lyon
ROBERT WILLIAM PECKHAM, Shelbyville, and **DEBORAH LYNN THAYER**, Shelbyville
DENNIS LEE MARCH, Allegan, and **LISA MARIE VISSERS**, Allegan
SHELSEY MAE HATTEN, Allegan, and **FRANCISCO CASTILLO**, Holland
MICHAEL JOHN CONKLIN, Dorr, and **PAIGE JULIA HAGER**, Dorr

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Public Notices

Circuit Court Case No. 22-66437-CH NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE In pursuance and by virtue of an Order of the Circuit Court for the County of Allegan, State of Michigan, made and entered on the 20th day of November, 2024, in a certain cause therein pending, wherein David Setzke was the Plaintiff, and Hany Boutros the Defendant. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Mich. Court Rule 3.403, the Allegan County Circuit Court has authorized Hany Boutros to conduct a partition sale of all of a certain piece or parcel of land situated in the City of Fennville, County of Allegan, State of Michigan, commonly known as 2425 58th Street, Fennville, MI 49408, Parcel I.D. No. 62-032-030-00. A hearing will be held at the Allegan County Circuit Court, 113 Chestnut St., Allegan, MI 49010, on the 17th day of July, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., in the courtroom of Judge Matthew Antkoviak, in case number 22-66437-CH, to confirm the sale of the above-described property to Hans Hansen in a cash sale for the price of $645,000. Confirmation of the sale is subject to any higher and better offers that may be submitted at the confirmation hearing. Dated: May 15, 2025 CLARK HILL PLC By: David F. Hansma (P71056) Attorney for Defendant
(05-22)(06-26)

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM on JULY 3, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information.

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gary L. Burnett, Jr. and Amber Burnett, to National City Mortgage a division of National City Bank, Mortgagee, dated October 2, 2007 and recorded October 16, 2007 in Liber 3168, Page 933 Allegan County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Five and 66/100 Dollars ($75,155.66).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Allegan County, Michigan at 9:00 AM on JULY 3, 2025.

Said premises are located in the City of Otsego, Allegan County Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 75 of Raven's Addition to the Village (now City) of Otsego, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof.

309 Mckinley Street, Otsego, Michigan 49078

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

Dated: May 29, 2025
File No. 24-013575
Firm Name: Orlans Law Group PLLC
Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084
Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400
(05-29)(06-19)

SHORT FORECLOSURE NOTICE - ALLEGAN COUNTY Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM, on July 17, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. MORTGAGE: Mortgagor(s): David Christopher Cooper, a single man Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender`s successors and assigns Date of mortgage: December 19, 2002 Recorded on January 14, 2003, Liber 2376, on Page 536, Foreclosing Assignee (if any): The Huntington National Bank Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof: Forty Thousand Seven Hundred Two and 65/100 Dollars ($40,702.65) Mortgaged premises: Situated in Allegan County, and described as: Lot 15 of Atwater`s Addition to the City of Fennville, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 14 Commonly known as 229 Wilson St, Fennville, MI 49408 The redemption period will be 6 month from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later; or unless extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. The Huntington National Bank Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400
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(05-29)(06-19)

SHORT FORECLOSURE NOTICE - ALLEGAN COUNTY Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement. Notice is given under section 49c of the State Housing Development Authority Act of 1966, 1966 PA 346, MCL 125.1449c, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM, on July 03, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. MORTGAGE: Mortgagor(s): Jayce Brinks and Alexandria Brinks, husband and wife as joint tenants with right of survivorship Original Mortgagee: Neighborhood Loans, Inc. Date of mortgage: July 22, 2022 Recorded on September 27, 2022, Liber 4801, on Page 758, and re-recorded via Affidavit of Correction on September 28, 2022, Liber 4802, on Page 86, and re-recorded via Loan Modification recorded on October 31, 2024 in Liber 4986, on Page 727 Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Michigan State Housing Development Authority Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof: Two Hundred Twelve Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-One and 40/100 Dollars ($212,831.40) Mortgaged premises: Situated in Allegan County, and described as: Commencing at a point on the centerline of Ely Street, 297 feet South 52 degrees West of the East line of Section 29, Town 2 North, Range 13 West; thence Southeasterly at right angles to Ely Street to the East line of Section 29; thence North on the Section line to a point 330 feet South of the centerline of Ely Street; thence West 33 feet; thence North 17 degrees West to the centerline of Ely Street; thence Southwest along the centerline of Ely Street to the Point of Beginning, EXCEPT: Commencing at a point on the Section line between Sections 28 and 29, 330 feet South of the centerline of Ely Street; thence West 33 feet; thence Southeasterly at right angles to Ely Street 24 feet; thence Southwesterly parallel to Ely Street 83 feet; thence Southeasterly at right angles to Ely Street, to above referred to section line; thence North on section line to the Point of Beginning; ALSO EXCEPT: Commencing on the centerline of Ely Street 91.5 feet South 52 degrees West from the East line of Section 29, Town 2 North, Range 13 West; running thence South parallel with said East Section line 120.5 feet; thence North 17 degrees West to the centerline of Ely Street; thence Northeasterly along the centerline of Ely Street to the Point of Beginning. ALSO EXCEPT: Commencing at a point on the centerline of Ely Street 122.75 feet South 52 degrees West of the East line of Section 29; thence South 17 degrees East 62.96 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 17 degrees East 130.14 feet; thence North 27 degrees 54 minutes 37 seconds West 78.03 feet; thence North 01 degree 34 minutes 14 seconds West 55.51 feet to the Point of Beginning. Commonly known as 513 Ely St, Allegan, MI 49010 The redemption period will be 6 month from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 125.1449v, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 125.1449v(b) notice, whichever is later; or unless extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Michigan State Housing Development Authority Mortgagee/ Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400
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(05-29)(06-19)

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. ATTENTION HOMEOWNER: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Under the power of sale contained herein in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or a cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM, on July 3, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joseph J. Laroy, a married man and Pricilla Laroy, his wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), as nominee for Decision One Mortgage Company, LLC, dated September 27, 2004, and recorded September 30, 2004 in Liber 2738, Page 108, in Allegan County records, Michigan, and assigned to Household Finance Corporation III by an Assignment of Mortgage recorded on November 12, 2008 in Liber 3275, Page 667, and assigned to Household Finance Corporation III by a Corrective Assignment of Mortgage recorded on April 10, 2012 in Liber 3607, Page 376, and assigned to U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF8 Master Participation Trust by an Assignment of Mortgage recorded on February 24, 2014 in Liber 3816, Page 688, and assigned to U.S. Bank Trust, National Association, as Trustee of the FW Series I Trust by an Assignment of Mortgage recorded on May 12, 2020 in Liber 4461, Page 226, and, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirteen Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Two and 36/100 dollars ($113,722.36). Said premises are situated in the Township of Otsego, County of Allegan, and State of Michigan, and particularly described as: Lot 5, Oak View Farm, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 15 of Plats, Page 66, Allegan County Records. Property Address: 282 Zak Road, Plainwell, MI 49080 Parcel No.: 17-660-005-00 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: May 29, 2025 For more information, please call: (440) 572-1511 Sottile and Barile LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 394 Wards Corner Boulevard, Suite 180 Loveland, OH 45140 File MF2410006 - Laroy, Joseph J.
(05-29)(06-19)

Notice of Foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM, on July 3, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. MORTGAGE: Mortgagor(s): Michael D. Williams and Jennifer D. Williams, husband and wife Original Mortgagee: United States of America acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture Date of mortgage: July 9, 2015 Recorded on July 31, 2015, Book 3950, on Page 240. Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof: One Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety-Four 87/100 Dollars $186,394.87 Mortgaged premises: Located in the Township of Otsego, Allegan County and described as: THE EAST 178.1 FEET OF THAT PART OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 22, TOWN 1 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST LYING SOUTH OF PINE CREEK ROAD, EXCEPT THE SOUTH 300 FEET THEREOF, ALSO COMMENCING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE CENTERLINE OF JEFFERSON ROAD AND THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 22, TOWN 1 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST; THENCE NORTH 72 DEGREES 39' EAST ON THE CENTERLINE OF SAID ROAD 665.9 FEET, TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 51' EAST 170.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 39' WEST 0.09 FEET; THENCE NORTH 1 DEGREES 00'15" WEST 169.86 FEET TO THE CENTERLINE OF JEFFERSON ROAD; THENCE NORTH 72 DEGREES 39' EAST ON SAID CENTERLINE 0.57 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, EXCEPT COMMENCING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE CENTERLINE OF JEFFERSON ROAD AND THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 22, TOWN 1 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST; THENCE NORTH 72 DEGREES 39' EAST ON THE CENTERLINE OF SAID ROAD 665.9 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING ON THE CENTERLINE NORTH 72 DEGREES 39' EAST 28.1 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES 00'37" WEST ON THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 170.78 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 72 DEGREES 39' WEST 25.43 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 51' WEST 170.0 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, EXCEPT THAT PART OF THE EAST 178.1 FEET OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 22, TOWN 1 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE CENTERLINE OF JEFFERSON ROAD AND THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 22; THENCE NORTH 72 DEGREES 39' EAST ON SAID CENTERLINE 507.41 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING ON SAID CENTERLINE NORTH 72 DEGREES 39' EAST 5.96 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 4 DEGREES 52'40" EAST 365.61 FEET; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 22'16" WEST ON THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 300 FEET OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 37.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0 DEGREES 02'15" EAST PARALLEL TO THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 361.46 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. Commonly known as 1784 Jefferson Road Otsego MI 49078. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later; or unless extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961 pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. ALAW 5404 Cypress Center Drive, Suite 300, Tampa, FL 33609 (813) 221-4743 24-031230.
(06-05)(06-26)

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement
Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM, on August 7, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Eric S. Swanson and Monica L. Swanson, husband and wife

Original Mortgagee: Advanta Finance Corp.

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

Date of Mortgage: April 12, 1999

Date of Mortgage Recording: April 19, 1999

Amount claimed due on date of notice: $47,675.20

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Charter Township of Gunplain, Allegan County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 2, Town 1 North, Range 11 West; thence East, on the North

line of said section, 930.57 feet to the place of beginning of this description; thence continuing East, on said

North section line, 170 feet; thence South 00 degrees 40 minutes West 256.19 feet; thence West 172.98 feet;

thence North 01 degree 20 minutes East 256.23 feet to the place of beginning.

Common street address (if any): 360 112th Ave, Martin, MI 49070-9751

The redemption period shall be 1 year from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

This notice is from a debt collector.
Date of notice: June 5, 2025
Trott Law, P.C.
31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145
Farmington Hills, MI 48334
(248) 642-2515
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(06-05)(06-26)

NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE WHEREAS on 02/09/2009, a certain Home Equity Conversion Mortgage was executed by Harold Stanley and Martha Stanley, husband and wife, as mortgagor in favor of One Reverse Mortgage, LLC, as mortgagee, and was recorded on 02/23/2009 in Liber 3298, Page 755 Allegan County Records; and WHEREAS, the Mortgage was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (the "Secretary") pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing; and WHEREAS, the Mortgage is now owned by the Secretary, through mesne assignments as documented by an Assignment of Mortgage, dated 01/27/2023 and recorded 02/03/2023 in Liber 4834, Page 161 Allegan County Records; and WHEREAS, default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Mortgage in that Harold Stanley, Martha Stanley is/are deceased and the property described below is not the principal residence of at least one surviving Borrower; and WHEREAS, the entire amount delinquent as of March 10, 2025 is $588,556.90; and WHEREAS, by virtue of this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the mortgage to be immediately due and payable; NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the Secretary's designation of me as Foreclosure Commissioner, Recorded August 6, 2024 in Document Number 2024011473 Allegan County Records, notice is hereby given that on August 07, 2025 at 9:00 AM local time, the real property located in the Township of Manlius, County of Allegan, State of Michigan, the below described will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder: BEGINNING AT A POINT FOUND BY COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 20, TOWN 3 NORTH, RANGE 15 WEST, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST ON THE WEST SECTION LINE 986.47 FEET, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 15 SECONDS EAST, 697.98 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 15 SECONDS EAST, 308.18 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST, 329.41 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 04 MINUTES 14 SECONDS WEST, 307.49 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST, 329.41 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 2.33 ACRES, TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT A POINT FOUND BY COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 20, TOWN 3 NORTH, RANGE 15 WEST, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST, ON THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 986.47 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 15 SECONDS EAST, 83.00 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST, 614.98 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST, 25.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 15 SECONDS WEST, 614.98 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST, 25.00 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. ALSO BEGINNING AT A POINT FOUND BY COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 20, TOWN 3 NORTH, RANGE 15 WEST, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 17 SECONDS EAST ON THE WEST SECTION LINE 1315.29 FEET TO THE WEST EIGHTH POST OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 18 SECONDS EAST ON THE EAST AND WEST EIGHTH LINE 598.86 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 18 SECONDS EAST ON SAID EIGHTH LINE 408.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST 329.40 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 15 SECONDS WEST 408.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 23 SECONDS EAST 329.17 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. Commonly known as: 2833 58th St, Fennville, MI 49408 Tax Parcel No.: 14-020-022-00 & 14-020-022-41 The sale will be held at the Allegan County Courthouse in Allegan, Michigan, Allegan, Michigan. The United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development will bid $609,460.80 There will be no proration of taxes, rents or other income or liabilities, except that the purchaser will pay, at or before closing, their pro rata share of any real estate taxes that have been paid by the Secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale. When making their bids, all bidders, except the Secretary, must submit a deposit totaling $60,946.08 [10% of the Secretary's bid] in the form of a certified check or cashier's check, made payable to the Secretary of HUD. A deposit need not accompany each oral bid. If the successful bid is oral, a deposit of $60,946.08 must be presented before the bidding is closed. The deposit is nonrefundable. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within 30 days of the sale or at such other time as the Secretary may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount, like the bid deposits, must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check. If the Secretary is the high bidder he/she/they need not pay the bid amount in case. The successful bidder will pay all conveying fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery date of the remainder of the payments and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale, the deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them. The Secretary may grant an extension of time within which to deliver the remainder of the payment. All extensions will be for 15-day increments for a fee of $500.00, paid in advance. The extension fee shall be in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount due. If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extensions of time granted by the Secretary, the high bidder may be required to forfeit the case deposit or, at the election of the foreclosure commissioner after the consultation with the HUD representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The Commissioner may, at the direction of the HUD representative, offer the property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder. There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgagor or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant. The scheduled foreclosure sale shall be cancelled or adjourned if it is established, by documented written application of the mortgagor to the Foreclosure Commissioner not less than 3 days before the date of sale, or otherwise, that the default or defaults upon which the foreclosure is based did not exist at the time of service of this notice of default and foreclosure sale, or all amounts due under the mortgage agreement are tendered to the Foreclosure Commissioner, in the form of a certified or cashier's check payable to the Secretary of HUD, before public auction of the property is completed. Payment of the entire outstanding balance of the mortgage debt is required to the cure the default. The "outstanding balance" includes amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if the debt under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs, posting costs and postage expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting notices, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien record searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner for recorded documents, a commission for the Foreclosure and all other costs incurred in connection with the foreclosure prior to sale. Tender of payment be certified or cashier's check or applicable for cancellation of the foreclosure sale shall be submitted to the address of the Foreclosure Commissioner provided below. Date: 06/02/2025 Neil Sherman Foreclosure Commissioner for the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development 23938 Research Dr Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400 STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF OAKLAND ss. On this 06/02/2025, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County of Oakland, came Neil Sherman of Schneiderman & Sherman P.C., the Foreclosure Commissioner, known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the above conveyance, and who acknowledged that he/she executed the same to be his/her free act and deed as such. Christina Hedke, Notary Public Wayne County, Michigan My Commission Expires: 06/21/2025 Acting in Oakland County, Michigan Drafted by and when recorded return to: Erica Nichols (P80833) Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400 25-000738-1
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STATE OF MICHIGAN
48th JUDICIAL DISTRICT
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
COUNTY PROBATE
ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION/POSTING AND NOTICE OF ACTION
CASE NO 25-70158-PD

Court address 113 Chestnut St., Allegan, Michigan 49010

Court telephone no. (269) 673-0300

Plaintiff name(s), address(es), and telephone no(s).

GTSC WAREHOUSE, LLC by its servicer Triad
Financial Services, Inc.

Plaintiffs attorney, bar no, address, and telephone no.

TROTT LAW, P.C.
By: Quinn W. Gray (P88115)
31440 Northwestern Hwy., Ste. 145
Farmington Hills, MI 48334
248.282.3454
T#522415L01
v

Defendant name(s), address(es), and telephone no(s).

BRANDY L. LONGORIA
3530 Windsor Woods Dr., #22
Wayland, MI 49348-1405
To. BRANDY L. LONGO

IT IS ORDERED:

1. You are being sued in this court by the plaintiff to for deliver of property known as 3530 Windsor Woods Dr. #22, Wayland, MI 49348 . You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before 28 days after the date of last publication if you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

2. A copy of this order shall be published once each week in a newspaper that publishes in Allegan County for three consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court.

6/2/25
Matthew Antkoviak P-59449
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Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement
Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM, on July 17, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Paige Land, a married woman

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Austin Capital Bank, SSB

Date of Mortgage: October 20, 2022

Date of Mortgage Recording: October 31, 2022

Amount claimed due on date of notice: $275,495.67

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Ganges, Allegan County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 20, Town 2 North, Range 16 West; thence East along the South section line 1542.96 feet to the Point of Beginning of this description; thence North 208.71 feet; thence East 208.71 feet; thence South 208.71 feet to the South Section line; thence West on said South Section line 208.71 feet to the Point of Beginning

Common street address (if any): 6935 116th Ave, Fennville, MI 49408-9782

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

This notice is from a debt collector.
Date of notice: June 12, 2025
Trott Law, P.C.
31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145
Farmington Hills, MI 48334
(248) 642-2515
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STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
ALLEGAN COUNTY
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate
CASE NO. 25-65663-DE and JUDGE
Court address 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010
Court telephone no.(269) 673-0250
Estate of Gregory Lee Parker Date of Birth:*01/09/1966
TO ALL CREDITORS: **
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Gregory Lee Parker, died March 13, 2025.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Karen M. Parker , personal representative, or to both the probate court at 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

June 10, 2025
Douglas J. Brackmann P-40885
6439 28th Avenue
Hudsonville, Michigan 49426
(616)669-8185
Karen M. Parker
280 Fairway Court, Unit B
Plainwell, MI 49080
616-262-9914

TO ALL PERSONS, including: (specify non-custodial parent's name here, if applicable)

whose address is unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:

TAKE NOTICE:JOSHUA BROWN AND JESSICA LUYE has filed a petition for name change.

A name change hearing will be held on JULY 1, 2025 AT 9:30 AM at FAMILY COURT COURTROOM before Judge Hon. Jolene Clearwater P74848 , to change the name of: JOSHUA BRANDON BROWN to JOSHUA BRANDON KNIGHT

JESSICA DAWN LUYE to JESSICA DAWN KNIGHT

STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
ALLEGAN COUNTY
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate
CASE NO. 2025-65580-DE and JUDGE Jolene A. Clearwater
Court address 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010
Court telephone no.(269) 673-0250
Estate of Diane K. Dietrich Date of Birth:*July 31, 1950
TO ALL CREDITORS: **
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Diane K. Dietrich, died February 6, 2025.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Scot Reynolds, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Cunningham Dalman, P.C.
Jessica Arends P75919
321 Settlers Road
Holland, MI 49423
(616) 392-1821
Scot Reynolds
2504 36th Street
Allegan, MI 49010
(616) 204-5621

STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF ALLEGAN
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate
FILE NO. 25-65665 DE
Estate of Judy Mae Zimmerman, a/k/a Judy Zimmerman, Deceased

Date of Birth: 08/09/1952

NOTICE TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent, Judy Mae Zimmerman, died on May 13, 2025.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Mary M. Koester, named personal representative, or to both the probate court at 113 Chestnut St. Allegan, MI 49010 and the named personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: June 11, 2025
David F. Kiel (P43048)
Orton, Tooman, Hale, McKown & Kiel, P.C.
314 Trowbridge Street, P.O. Box 239

Allegan, MI 49010-0239
(269) 673-2136
Mary M. Koester, Personal Representative
2020 114th Avenue
Otsego, MI 49078

STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
ALLEGAN COUNTY
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate
CASE NO. 25-65691-DE and JUDGE HON., JOLENE A. CLEARWATER
Court address 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010
Court telephone no.(269) 673-0250
Estate of ARLENE MARIE LARSON Date of Birth:*07/01/1937
TO ALL CREDITORS: **
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, ARLENE MARIE LARSON, died 04/01/2025.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the

Public Notices

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 09:00 AM, July 17, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Christopher Menzel and Toni Menzel, Husband and Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as Mortgagee, as Nominee for BM Real Estate Services, Inc., its successors, and assigns , Mortgagee, dated February 8, 2022, and recorded on February 23, 2022, in Liber 4732, Page 874, Allegan County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC by an Assignment of Mortgage dated February 03, 2025 and recorded June 04, 2025 in Liber 5038, Page 945, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Two and 20/100 ($250,532.20) including interest at the rate of 4.25000% per annum. Said premises are situated in the City of Allegan, Allegan County, Michigan, and are described as: Unit 18, Summit Estates, a Condominium according to the Master Deed recorded in Liber 2060, Page 216, and Amendments thereto, Allegan County Records, and designated as Allegan County Condominium Subdivision Plan No. 146, together with rights in the general common elements and the limited common elements as set forth in said Master Deed, and Amendments thereto, and as described in Act 59 of the Public Acts of 1978, as amended. Commonly known as: 167 SUMMIT DRIVE, ALLEGAN, MI 49010 If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: June 19, 2025 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Case No. 25MI00051-1
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SHORT FORECLOSURE NOTICE - ALLEGAN COUNTY Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM, on August 07, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. MORTGAGE: Mortgagor(s): Sean E. Reilly and Megan Reilly, a husband and wife Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender`s successors and assigns Date of mortgage: December 22, 2016 Recorded on January 11, 2017, Liber 4104, on Page 359, Foreclosing Assignee (if any): The Huntington National Bank Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof: Two Hundred Thirty-One Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Three and 65/100 Dollars ($231,193.65) Mortgaged premises: Situated in Allegan County, and described as: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 13, TOWN 4 NORTH, RANGE 16 WEST; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 26 SECONDS EAST 883.04 FEET ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING ON SAID NORTH LINE, 200.01 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST 617.29 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 36 SECONDS WEST 92.50 FEET; THENCE WESTERLY 107.42 FEET ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF FARMVIEW DRIVE; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 24 SECONDS WEST 626.76 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO A PRIVATE EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC UTILITIES OVER THE SOUTH 10.00 FEET OF THE NORTH 43.00 FEET THEREOF. SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH AN EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS AS DESCRIBED IN SCHEDULE "X", AND A PRIVATE WALKWAY AS DESCRIBED IN SCHEDULE "Y" AND AN EASEMENT FOR DRAINAGE AS DESCRIBED IN SCHEDULE "Z". SCHEDULE "X" DESCRIPTION: AN EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS, 66.00 FEET WIDE OVER THAT PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWN 4 NORTH, RANGE 16 WEST, THE CENTERLINE OF WHICH IS DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 13 SECONDS WEST 572.21 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING FOR SAID CENTERLINE, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 47 SECONDS EAST 49.47 FEET; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY 208.90 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A 350.00 FOOT RADIUS CURVE TO THE RIGHT, THE CHORD OF WHICH BEARS SOUTH 73 DEGREES 28 MINUTES 18 SECONDS EAST 205.81 FEET; THENCE EASTERLY 208.71 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A 350.00 FOOT RADIUS CURVE TO THE LEFT, THE CHORD OF WHICH BEARS SOUTH 73 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST 205.63 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST 106.92 FEET; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY 223.31 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A 750.00 FOOT RADIUS CURVE TO THE LEFT, THE CHORD OF WHICH BEARS NORTH 80 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 49 SECONDS EAST 222.49 FEET; THENCE EASTERLY 223.31 FEET ALONG THE ARC OF A 750.00 FOOT RADIUS CURVE TO THE RIGHT, THE CHORD OF WHICH BEARS NORTH 80 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 49 SECONDS EAST 222.49 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST 92.95 FEET TO REFERENCE POINT "A" AND THE POINT OF ENDING FOR SAID CENTERLINE. ALSO A DRIVE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS OVER A 20.00 FOOT WIDE STRIP OF LAND IN THAT PART OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWN 4 NORTH, RANGE 16 WEST, THE CENTERLINE OF WHICH IS DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT AFORESAID REFERENCE POINT "A", THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 36 SECONDS EAST 200.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF ENDING FOR SAID CENTERLINE. ALSO AN EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS OVER A 60.00 FOOT RADIUS TURNAROUND, THE CENTER POINT BEING THE AFORESAID REFERENCE POINT "A". SCHEDULE "Y" DESCRIPTION: A PRIVATE EASEMENT FOR WALKWAY OVER THE SOUTH 95.00 FEET OF THE NORTH 128.00 FEET OF THE EAST 1250.88 FEET OF THE WEST 1283.88 FEET OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWN 4 NORTH, RANGE 16 WEST. SCHEDULE "Z" DESCRIPTION: AN EASEMENT FOR DRAINAGE OVER THAT PART OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWN 4 NORTH, RANGE 16 WEST, DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 13 SECONDS EAST 33.00 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 26 SECONDS EAST 33.00 FEET PARALLEL WITH THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 13 SECONDS EAST 95.00 FEET ALONG THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF BEELINE ROAD (66.00 FEET WIDE); THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 26 SECONDS EAST 450.85 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST 14.68 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 64 DEGREES 31 MINUTES 35 SECONDS EAST 122.21 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 26 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 26 SECONDS EAST 52.82 FEET; THENCE NORTH 90 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 247.90 FEET; THENCE NORTH 36 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 53 SECONDS EAST 142.34 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 58 MINUTES 26 SECONDS WEST 1250.06 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF 144TH AVENUE (66.00 FEET WIDE) TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Commonly known as 6177 Farmview Dr, Holland, MI 49423 The redemption period will be 6 month from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later; or unless extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. The Huntington National Bank Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400
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SHORT FORECLOSURE NOTICE - ALLEGAN COUNTY Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM, on August 07, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. MORTGAGE: Mortgagor(s): Larry Allred and Nora Klimala, husband and wife Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender`s successors and assigns Date of mortgage: June 10, 2016 Recorded on June 16, 2016, Liber 4038, on Page 688, Foreclosing Assignee (if any): The Huntington National Bank Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof: Sixty-Four Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Four and 26/100 Dollars ($64,124.26) Mortgaged premises: Situated in Allegan County, and described as: Beginning 770 feet North of the West 1/4 post of Section 5, Town 1 North, Range 15 West, Lee Township, Allegan County, Michigan; thence South 110 feet; thence East 440 feet; thence North 82 feet; thence Northwesterly 441 feet to the place of beginning. Commonly known as 1123 58th St, Pullman, MI 49450 The redemption period will be 6 month from the date of such sale, unless abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days from the MCL 600.3241a(b) notice, whichever is later; or unless extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. The Huntington National Bank Mortgagee/Assignee Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr, Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400
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STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
ALLEGAN COUNTY
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate
CASE NO. 2025-65667-DE and JUDGE
Court address 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010
Court telephone no.(269) 673-0250
Estate of Hayden Alexander Flick, deceased Date of Birth:*6-26-07
TO ALL CREDITORS: **

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Hayden Alexander Flick, deceased, died 10-8-24.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Jared Flick, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

06/16/2025
Ajay Gupta P45739
PO Box 428
Troy MI 48099-0428
313-849-0567
Jared Flick
3175 Rolling Oaks Ct
Hamilton MI 494196
616-218-4596

Hopkins Township

142 E. Main St. Hopkins, MI 49328
Zoning Board of Appeals
Notice of Special Meeting and Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to PA 110 of 2006, the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, the Hopkins Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a regular meeting and Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 8, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. at Hopkins Township Hall, 128 South Franklin, Hopkins MI, 40328.

The following items will be heard, considered, and possibly have action taken upon them:

1. A request from Kerry and Sherry Halsted, property owners of 2442 15th St, also known as Permanent Parcel Number 03-10-035-011-10 for relief from Sections 157.088 (D) and 157.091(A) of the Hopkins Township Zoning Ordinance to create a nonconforming parcel within the R-1 Zoning District.
2. Any other such business that comes properly before the Zoning Board of Appeals

All interested parties are invited to be present at the aforesaid time and place to offer input for the consideration of the Board of Appeals.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that Hopkins Township will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services at the hearing to individuals with disabilities upon five (5) days written notice to the Township Clerk at PO Box 217, Hopkins, MI 49328, by phone 269-793-3188 or by email to clerk@hopkinstownship.org.

A copy of agenda items, draft documents and public hearing notice is available for viewing online at www.hopkinstownship.org. Instructions for access and participation are on the following page.

HOPKINS TOWNSHIP CLERK
STACEY TIMMER
269-793-3188

NOTICE

OF PUBLIC HEARING
WAYLAND TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
1060 129th Avenue
Bradley, MI 49311
269-792-6394

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to PA 110 of 2006, the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, the Planning Commission of Wayland Township will hold a Public Hearing to deliberate the following topics on Wednesday, July 9, 2025 at 6:30 p.m., at the Wayland Township Hall located at 1060 129th Avenue, Shelbyville, Michigan.

1. An application from Green Development Ventures, LLC, interested party of a 59-acre unaddressed parcel on the east side of the 2700 block of Patterson Road, also known as permanent parcel number 03-24-025-001-02, to rezone said property from the A Agricultural and R-2 Medium Density Residential District to R2PUD and preliminary approval of a private road serving a site condominium therein, per Sections 3.40 and 19.03 of the Wayland Township Zoning Ordinance. Said property is legally described as follows: NE 1/4 NE 1/4 ALSO E 1/2 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 EX COM NE 1/4 COR TH S 834.69' TO POB TH CONT S 248' TH W 351.33' TH N 248' TH E 351.33' TO POB SEC 25 T3N R11W
2. An application for special use permit from Jodi Haveman and Jerry Acton, owner and interested party of 1149 126th Avenue, also known as permanent parcel 03-24-030-017-10, to install a temporary mobile home dwelling within the A Agricultural District, per Section 3.03(b) of the Wayland Township Zoning Ordinance.
3. Any other business that comes properly before the Planning Commission.

Copies of the proposed amendments, application, and materials are available for review at the Township Hall during regular business hours. This meeting is intended to provide an opportunity for Township residents and interested citizens to express their opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the requests. Those unable to attend the public hearing are invited to submit written comments to the attention of the Planning Commission at Wayland Township Hall, P.O. Box 1, Bradley, MI 49311. All written comments must be received by no later than 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 9, 2025.

If any resident has a physical disability which may limit his/her participation in this hearing, please notify the Township Hall at least five (5) days prior to the hearing so that reasonable accommodations may be made.

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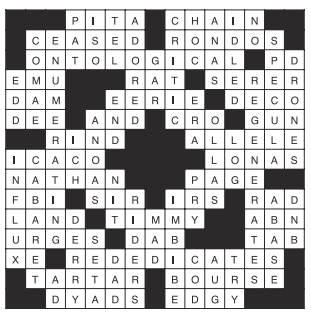

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RELIGION SECTION

The next months, between now and the end of November, have a number of different names in many denominations. For some, especially mainline denominations, it is Pentecost. In the Anglican congregations it is sometimes called Whitsuntide, and in the Catholic Church it is Ordinary Time.

I like the term Ordinary Time because it is such a radical diversion from our usual quest for anything that is extraordinary. We want the big show, the spectacular parades or fireworks, the big party or picnic, or the day we had extraordinary success on the golf course or fishing. Nevertheless, I like Ordinary Time. Two of my favorite authors, James Joyce and Virginia Woolf, crafted wonderful books about a single, ordinary day in the life of some very ordinary people.

For over a century French writers have produced short books and articles under the theme of "exhausting the place." The writer goes to a café, museum, or somewhere else, parks themselves near the front door, and hurriedly writes down everything he or she experiences for a few hours. At first publishers rejected the manuscripts. "A book about people going in and out of a café? Why would any read it?" they asked. The first author had to pay for the printing, but when it sold like warm croissants, publishing houses wanted more.

Ordinary time, ordinary lives, ordinary places are truly anything but ordinary. There are moments when God is inviting us to experience the world he is revealing to us. That applies to your life as well. Ordinary times are less stressful, less rushed, and we have more time to 'be' rather than feel compelled to 'do.' And that means we have more time to deepen our relationship with Jesus.

We also have time to deepen our relationships with family members and friends, our community, and the world around us. Because we are not as rushed as we are at other times of the year, we can reflect on those experiences. Often, we are humbled and grateful because we were at the right place at the right time.

Earlier this month I saw some videos of downtown Chicago. They were of elevating railroads and busy intersections, the businesses along Michigan Art Center, and the Art Institute of Chicago. As I watched them, I was grateful that I had experienced them in 'real time and real life'. I seriously doubt I will be going back to Chicago, and it saddens me that I did not fully appreciate those experiences at the time.

But isn't that the way it is for almost all of us? Too often, we are sleep walking through life. Ordinary Time reminds us to wake up and fully absorb all of the goodness that surrounds us. Go and have experiences! It is God's world, and he would like us to see it.

G C Stoppel
Priest Associate
Episcopal Church of the
Good Shepherd, Allegan, MI

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Church: 673-6577

Allegan Bible Church
412 S. Sherman, Allegan
Pastor Jon Gruss
Church: 673-6831

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700 Ely St., Allegan
Paul Knuckles, Pastor
Church: 673-2921

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Chaplain Sarah Montgomery
Phone: 673-0350

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Pastor Julia Humenik
Church: 673-4236;

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Pastor Herb Curry
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Dorr, MI 49323
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Pastor Eric Burrows-Stone
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Fennville, MI 49408
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269-561-5048
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www.fpcallegan.org
10:30 service time.

First Baptist Church
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Otsego, MI 49078
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BelGioioso Cheese Wedges
8 oz.
$6.99
Save at least 60¢ lb.

Grandma's Salads
Macaroni Salad, Cole Slaw, Mustard or Original Potato Salad
$3.49 lb.
Save at least 50¢ lb.

Deep Fried Chicken Wing Zings
$6.99 lb.
Save at least $1.50 lb.

$5.99 Daily Lunch Specials

Monday - Friday 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Monday, June 16:
1/2 Panini of the Day
includes 1 Hot Side & 1 Cold Side

Tuesday, June 17:
Open Face Turkey Sandwich
includes 1 Hot Side & 1 Cold Side

Wednesday, June 18:
3-Piece Dark Meat Chicken
includes 1 Hot Side & 1 Cold Side (1 Breast Limit)

Thursday, June 19:
Pork Chop
includes 1 Hot Side & 1 Cold Side

Friday, June 20:
3-Piece Chicken Tenders
includes 1 Hot Side & 1 Cold Side

fresh bakery

Not available in all stores.

Fresh Baked
White Bread
16 oz.
$2.49
Save at least 50¢

Fresh Baked
Sub Buns
4 ct.
$2.99
Save at least 50¢

Special Recipe
Cinnamon Rolls
6 ct.
$3.99
Save at least $1.00

Select Varieties
Strudel Bites
12 ct.
$2.99
Save at least $1.00

Fresh Baked
Peach Pie
8-inch
$7.99
Save at least $1.00

Brownie or Coffee Cake Bites
10 oz. tub
$5.99
Save at least $1.00

Select Varieties
Bulls Eye BBQ Sauce
17.5 - 18 oz.
2/$5

Village Market, Fresh
Bulk Chicken Drumsticks
5 lb. bag
$4.99

SEAFOOD!

Verlasso Atlantic Salmon Fillets
$12.99 lb.

Select Varieties
TransOcean Imitation Crab or Lobster
8 oz.
2/$5

Peeled & Deveined, Tail-Off
Our Family Raw Shrimp
61 - 70 ct., 16 oz.
$7.99

Peeled & Deveined, Tail-On
Our Family Cooked Shrimp
31 - 40 ct., 16 oz.
$8.99

YOU CAN DEPEND ON VILLAGE MARKET FOR TOP-QUALITY MEATS & SEAFOOD!

Great Selection... at prices you'll love!

Village Market, All Natural, Fresh
Pork Steak
Regular, BBQ, Thin, Thick, Boneless or Stuffed
Family Pack

BUY ONE PKG., GET ONE PKG. OF EQUAL OR LESSER VALUE
FREE!

Buy More, Save More Meat Sale!

USDA Certified Tender

USDA CERTIFIED TENDER

TENDER RIDGE ANGUS

Rib-Eye Steak • Rib-Eye Roast
New York Strip Loin Roast
Beef Tenderloin • New York Strip Steak
T-Bone Steak • Porterhouse Steak

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Chicken Drumsticks

BUY ONE PKG., GET ONE PKG. OF EQUAL OR LESSER VALUE

FREE!

Fresh Smokehouse Dry Rub BBQ Seasoned Chicken Drumsticks
BUY ONE PKG., GET ONE PKG. OF EQUAL OR LESSER VALUE
FREE!

Tender Ridge, Choice Angus
Boneless Beef Top Sirloin Steak
Family Pack

$11.99 lb.

Lesser Amount Pkg. $12.49 lb.

Village Market, All Natural
St. Louis Style Spareribs

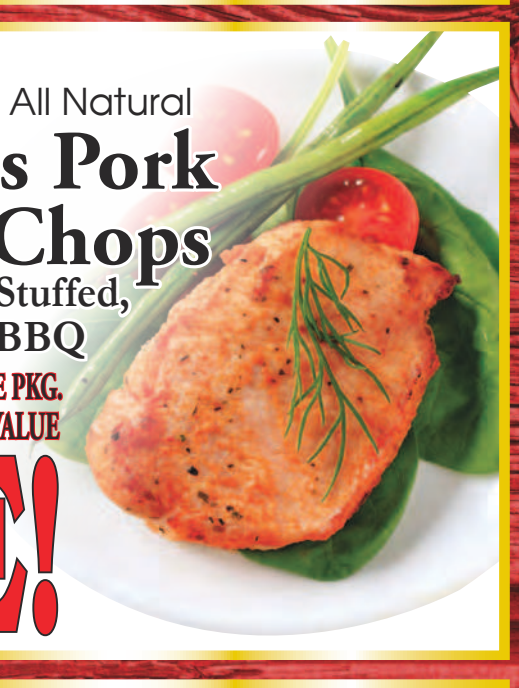
$3.99 lb.

Select Varieties Smithfield Pork Tenderloin 18.4 oz. $6.99

Tender Ridge, Choice Angus
Boneless Beef Sirloin Tip Steak
Family Pack

$8.49 lb.

Lesser Amount Pkg. $8.99 lb.



Mix or Match
Village Market, All Natural
Boneless Pork Sirloin Chops
Thin, Regular, Stuffed, Tenderized or BBQ

BUY ONE PKG., GET ONE PKG. OF EQUAL OR LESSER VALUE

FREE!

Village Market, Certified Fresh
Ground Hamburger
5 lb. or more pkg.

$4.99 lb.

Certified Fresh Ground Beef from Round 3 lb. or more pkg. $6.49 lb.

Mix or Match
Village Market, All Natural, Fresh
Pork Strips
Regular or BBQ

BUY ONE PKG., GET ONE PKG. OF EQUAL OR LESSER VALUE

FREE!

FAMILY PACK PATTIES SALE

Village Market, Fresh
Ground Hamburger Patties
Family Pack

$5.99 lb.

Village Market, Fresh
Ground Round Burger Patties
Family Pack

$7.49 lb.

85% Lean Butterball Ground Turkey 16 oz. $4.99

Butcher Shoppe Specialties

Village Market, Store Made, Fresh
Maple Bulk Pork Sausage
$3.29 lb.

Village Market, Store Made
Cheddar Pork Link Sausage
Family Pack
$3.99 lb.

Village Market
Ground Round Mushroom & Mozzarella Club Burger
$7.99 lb.

Village Market, Store Made
Pork or Chicken Kabobs
$8.99 lb.

Select Varieties
Bar S Franks Jumbo, Bunlength or Chicken (16 oz.), **Cotto Salami** or **Bologna** (12 oz.)
$1.79

Select Varieties
Land O'Frost DeliShaved Lunch Meat
7.5 - 9 oz.
2/$6

Select Varieties
Eckich Family Pack Smoked or Polish Sausage
39 - 42 oz.
$9.99

Select Varieties
Oscar Mayer Lunchables
8.9 - 10.7 oz.
2/$6

Fresh Produce At Great Prices!

Our Family Idaho Potatoes
8 lb. bag

$2.99

Fresh Express Salad Mixes
Italian, Veggie Lovers or Premium Romaine
9 - 11 oz.

2/$6

Blueberries
(pint) or
Red Raspberries
(6 oz.)

2/$6

Halos Clementines
2 lb. bag

$3.99

Our Family White Mushrooms
Whole or Sliced
8 oz.

2/$4

Cosmic Crisp or Our Family Pink Lady Apples
3 lb. bag

$3.99

Organic Produce

Red or Green Organic Seedless Grapes

$2.79 lb.

Organic Green Beans
12 oz.

$3.99

Select Varieties
Earthbound Farm Organic Salad Mixes
10 oz.

$4.99

floral center

5-Stem Sunflower
each

$12.99

Fresh & Finest Presto Bouquet
each

$9.99

Breakfast Bargains

Select Varieties
Our Family Single Serve Coffee Pods
12 ct.

$5.49

Select Varieties
Maxwell House Ground Coffee
9.9 - 11.5 oz.

$4.99

Select Varieties
Our Family Ground Coffee
22.6 - 29.2 oz.

$8.99

Select Varieties
Sunbelt Fruit & Grain Bars or Chewy Granola Bars
11 oz.

2/$6

Select Varieties
Kellogg's Pop-tarts
8 ct.

2/$5

Select Varieties
Betty Crocker Fruit Snacks
6 - 10 ct.

2/$6

Select Varieties
Our Family Peanut Butter
16 oz.

$2.29

Village Market, Store Made
Breakfast Patties
Family Pack

$2.99 lb.

Select Varieties
Pillsbury Toaster Strudel
6 ct.

3/$8

Select Varieties
Totino's Pizza Rolls
50 ct.

2/$9

Select Varieties
Mrs. Butterworth's Pancake Mix
(32 oz.) or Mrs. Butterworth's or Log Cabin Syrup (24 oz.)

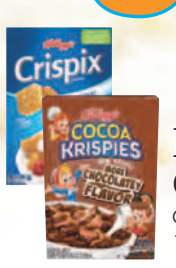
2/$6

Select Varieties
General Mills Cereal
8.9 - 11.5 oz.

2/$6

Select Varieties
Post Cereal
(14 - 16 oz.) or Grape Nuts Cereal
(18 - 20.5 oz.)

$3.99



Select Varieties
Kellogg's Cereal
7.8 - 12.6 oz.

$3.99

Philadelphia Cream Cheese
Original or 1/3 Less Fat
16 oz. box

$5.49

Our Family Bagels
Everything or Plain
20 oz.

2/$6

Dutch Farms Corned Beef Hash
16 oz. roll

$3.99

savings - selection - service - quality - value

Assorted Varieties
Coke Products
(10 pk., 7.5 oz. mini sleek cans or 8 pk., 12 oz. btls.) (plus deposit); or **Dasani Water** (24 pk., 16.9 oz. btls.) or **Gold Peak Tea** (6 pk., 16.9 oz. btls.)
$5.99

Save at least $4.48 on 2

Assorted Varieties
Coke Products
12 pk., 12 oz. cans (plus deposit)
2/$15.50
When You Buy 2

Lesser or More Qty.'s $7.99 Each (plus deposit)

Select Varieties
Powerade Sports Drink
28 oz.
3/$5

Select Varieties
Frito-Lay Cheetos
(8 - 8.5 oz.) or **Fritos Corn Chips** (9.25 - 10 oz.)
(excludes organic)
2/$8

Save at least $3.78 on 2

Select Varieties
Frito-Lay Party Size Snacks
8.25 - 17 oz.
$5.69

Assorted Varieties
Pepsi Products
(6 pk., 16.9 oz. btls.) (plus deposit) or **Propel Fitness Water** (6 pk., 16.9 oz. btls.)
3/$13

Save at least $5.87 on 3

Select Varieties
CapriSun or Country Time Drink Pouches
10 ct.
2/$7

Save at least $3.98 on 2

Select Varieties
Utz Pretzels
12 - 16 oz.
2/$6

Save at least $3.58 on 2

Select Varieties
V8 Splash Juice
64 oz.
2/$5

Save at least $2.78 on 2

Coors: Regular or Light or **Miller Lite** (18 pk. cans), **Corona:** Light, Extra Light, EX or Premier, **Modelo Especial, Bell's Oberon:** Original or Light, **Blue Moon:** Belgian White or Light Sky (12 pk. cans or btls.), **Leinenkugel's:** Seasonal Shandy, Lodge Pack, Grapefruit Shandy or Juicy Peach (12 pk. cans) or Berry Weiss or Seasonal Shandy (12 pk. btls.) or **The Finnish Long Drink Variety Pack** (8 pk. cans) (plus deposit)
$15.99

Save at least $2.90 on 1

Select Varieties
Our Family Pudding Cups
(4 ct.) or **Instant Pudding** (3.4 - 3.9 oz.)
3/$3

Save at least $1.17 on 3

Select Varieties
Monster Energy Drinks
12 pk., 16 oz. cans (plus deposit)
$19.99

Select Varieties
Mike's Hard Beverages
6 pk. (plus deposit)
$9.99

Select Varieties
Bugles, Chex Mix or Gardetto's Snacks
7 - 8.6 oz.
2/$5

Select Varieties
Gatorade Sports Drink
28 oz.
2/$3

Select Varieties
St. Julian 20% Juice Wine
Fruit Juice, Grape Juice or Watermelon Punch
750 ml
$9.99

Select Varieties
Ziploc Storage or Freezer Bags
10 - 48 ct.
$5.99

Select Varieties
Aunt Millie's Healthy Goodness Bread
16 - 20 oz.
2/$6

Save at least $1.58 on 2

Our Family Marshmallows
Regular, Mini or Mini Fruit Flavored
10 - 10.5 oz.
2/$3

Save at least 59¢ on 2

Select Varieties
Our Family Deluxe Mac & Cheese
12 - 14 oz.
2/$4

Save at least $3.38 on 2

Select Varieties
Our Family Applesauce
48 oz.
$2.69

Save at least 60¢ on 1

Crisco Cooking Oil
Vegetable, Pure Canola or Natural Blends
40 oz.
$4.99

Save at least $1.30 on 1

Brawny Paper Towels
3-Ply White Tear-A-Square (2 ct. triple roll) or 3-Ply White (4 ct. double roll)
$6.99

Save at least $3.00 on 1

Select Varieties
Purina One Dry Cat or Dog Food
7 - 8 lb.
$15.99

Save at least $1.00 on 1

Finish Dishwasher Detergent
Ultimate or Powerball Quantum
28 - 36 ct.
$9.99

Select Varieties
Tide Liquid Laundry Detergent (55 - 63 oz.), **Original Powder Laundry Detergent** (50 oz.) or **Oxi Boost Power Pods Stain Remover** (18 ct.); or **Downy Infusions Mega Sheets** Calm or Bliss (130 ct.)
$11.49

Save at least 50¢ on 1

dairy savings - dairy savings

Philadelphia Cream Cheese
Original or 1/3 Less Fat
16 oz. box
$5.49
Save at least $2.50 on 1

Select Varieties
Jell-O Gelatin or Pudding Cups
4 ct.
2/$5
Save at least $2.58 on 2

Our Family Vitamin D Milk or TruMoo Whole or 1% Chocolate Milk
gallon
$3.79
Save at least $2.70 on 1

Our Family Reduced Fat American Cheese Singles
12 oz.
2/$5
Save at least $2.48 on 2

Select Varieties
Dutch Farms Shredded Cheese
2 lb.
$7.99
Save at least $2.00 on 1

Country Fresh Small Curd Cottage Cheese
3 lb.
$5.49
Save at least $1.50 on 1

Select Varieties
Heluva Good! Dips
12 oz.
2/$4
Save at least $1.38 on 2

Frigo Cheese Heads Mozzarella String Cheese
24 oz.
$7.99
Save at least $2.00 on 1

frozen favorites - frozen favorites

Select Varieties
Stroh's Ice Cream
48 oz.
$3.99
Save at least $3.00 on 1

Select Varieties
Bellatoria Ultra Thin Pizza
11.81 - 19.41 oz.
$4.99
Save at least $3.00 on 1

Select Varieties
Totino's Breakfast Snack Bites, 19.5 oz.
2/$9
Save at least $4.98 on 2

Select Varieties
Grown In Idaho Potatoes
24 - 28 oz.
$3.99
Save at least $2.00 on 1

Select Varieties
Birds Eye Steamfresh Vegetables
10 - 10.8 oz.
BUY ONE, GET ONE
FREE!
Save at least $1.99 on 2

Select Varieties
Dean's Country Fresh Ice Cream Bars
12 ct.
$3.99
Save at least $2.00 on 1

Select Varieties
Banquet Frozen Dinners
13 - 16.2 oz.
2/$7
Save at least $2.58 on 2

Select Varieties
Pagoda Crab Rangoon
6.07 oz.
2/$7
Save at least $2.38 on 2

health & beauty and general merchandise

Cameron's Grilling Mesh Sheets
each
$9.99

Good Cook 12-Inch Bamboo Skewers
each
$3.99

Good Cook Locking Tongs
each
$8.99

Scripto Aim 'N Flame II Utility Lighter
each
$6.29

Energizer Flashlight Tac 300
each
$16.99

TopCare Diphedryl Cherry Elixir
4 oz.
$3.99

Select Varieties
TopCare Cetirizine Syrup
4 oz.
$7.99

TopCare Sinus Congestion Severe Pain
24 ct. caplets
$3.99

Select Varieties
TopCare Cold & Flu Liquid
8 oz.
$5.39

TopCare
TopCare Super Soft Dental Picks
100 ct.
2/$10

TopCare 70% Hand Sanitzer
8 oz. with pump
2/$5

TopCare Elise Womens Disposable Razor
3 ct.
$6.99

TopCare Apex 5 Men's 5 Blade Disposable Razor
3 ct.
$5.99

TopCare Esomeprazole
14 ct.
$7.99

TopCare Max Strength Stomach Relief
8 oz.
2/$7

Ja-Ru Light Up Bounce Ball
each
2/$6

Secret Deodorant
2.4 - 4.1 oz.
$1.00 OFF Regular Retail

Olay Body Wash
18 - 22 oz.
$7.99

Tom's Of Maine Deodorant
3.25 oz.
$8.99

Softsoap Hand Soap
50 oz.
$7.39

Jiffy-Foil Pans
1 or 2 ct.
$1.69

Gold Bond Hand Lotion
(13 - 14 oz.) or
Psoriasis Relief Cream
(4 oz.)
$11.99

Dove Shampoo or Conditioner
12 oz.
$5.99

Crest Toothpaste
3D Whitening or ProHealth (2.1 - 4.8 oz.), **3D White Brilliance Stain Prevention Rinse** (16 oz.); or **Glide Comfort Floss** (87.4 yd., 2 ct.) or **Oral-b Toothbrush** (2 ct.)
$8.99

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- Colon, Decatur & Gobles: Open 7AM - 10PM 7 Days!

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5% Senior Discount
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Wednesday Only
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Please present coupon before starting purchase.
Coupon Valid Wednesday, June 18, 2025 Only!

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RIBFEST

FRIDAY, June 20, 2025

Allegan & Colon Only
11 AM - 6 PM

MOUTHWATERING RIBS, READY TO EAT

Fully Cooked
Smoked BBQ Ribs
Slab of Ribs Full Rack
With or Without Sauce
each
$13.99

Sandridge Potato Salad
Mustard or American
$1.99 lb.
Save at least $1.00 lb.

Corn
On-the-Cob
5 ct. pkg.
$4.99

Yoder's Amish Baked Beans
$4.99 lb.
Save at least 60¢ lb.

King's Hawaiian Rolls
12 ct., 12 oz.
$4.99
Save at least $1.20

Garlic Bread
In Foil Bag for Grilling
each
$2.99
Save at least 50¢

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Beer Cave

Allegan & Colon Only All Week

Miller: Lite or MGD 64; or
Coors: Light or Banquet; or
Molson Canadian; or
Budweiser: Regular, Light, Select or Select 55
24 pk., 12 oz. cans
(plus deposit)

$18.99

Busch: Regular, Light, Light Apple or Light Peach
30 pk. cans
(plus deposit)

$22.99

Bell's Seasonal or Two Hearted Ale
6 pk. btls.
(plus deposit)

$9.99

Bell's Seasonal or Two Hearted Ale
12 pk. btls. or cans
(plus deposit)

$18.99

Select Varieties
Truly Seltzer
12 pk. cans
(plus deposit)

$18.99

Select Varieties
Bud Light Seltzer
12 pk., 12 oz. cans
(plus deposit)

$17.99

Nutrl Vodka Soda
Fruit Variety Pack,
Lemonade Variety Pack
or Cranberry
8 pk.
(plus deposit)

$16.99

Select Varieties
Mike's Hard Drinks
6 pk., 11.2 oz. btls.
(plus deposit)

$9.99

Mike's Hard Drinks
Hard Variety or
Freeze Variety
12 pk. btls.
(plus deposit)

$17.99

Select Varieties
Mike's Cayman Jack Margarita
Regular Only
12 pk. cans
(plus deposit)

$17.99